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WHITE BLOOD IN AFRICA!

IT DOMINATES THE BLACK RACE AS IT DOES ELSEWHERE.

Methods by Which the Races May be Reconciled—To Secure Peace and Happiness—The Negro's Incapacity to Govern.

The white race is taking charge of the black race everywhere. We do not mean the Asiatic race, but the African, and it will have to make up its mind very soon as to the condition of its guardianship, otherwise there will be misery among the blacks and demoralization among the whites. Except in Hayti, there is now no black race which is not under white soverignty, or expecting white sovereignty, or preparing itself for a last fight in protest against that encroaching dominion. In East Africa, South Africa, West Africa, Congo State, the West Indies and the Southern States of America the white dominion is supreme, and the tide is still rolling on, Dahoma being submerged yesterday as Ashantee will be to-morrow. Twenty years hence no blacks will be able to live happily save by the consent of some white people, and the responsibility assumed by the latter will be complete, and we are compelled to add, most terrible. They must, therefore, think out what it all means and discover some method by which they can "reconciled the races"—that is, can enable them to live together to the advantage of both, or at all events, without direct deterioration to either. The method has not been found yet; all experiments so far having proved partial or total failures.

Slavery must be accounted among the latter, for it fossilized the blacks and demoralized the whites; produced no reconciliation, had little educative effects, and socially, was so unsuccessful that it was by a sort of concensus of white humanity given up. Black independence, besides being an admission of white failure, works badly, old history, as well as the records of Hayti and Liberia in modern times, both proving that while individual blacks have displayed considerable powers, the race as a whole, requires white guidance and control to enable it to advance. Equality does not succeed either. It is being tried in the Southern states, and it bids fair to produce a race war of the most terrible kind, while even now it produces cordiality in the governed, and a base and tricky hypocrisy in those who govern.

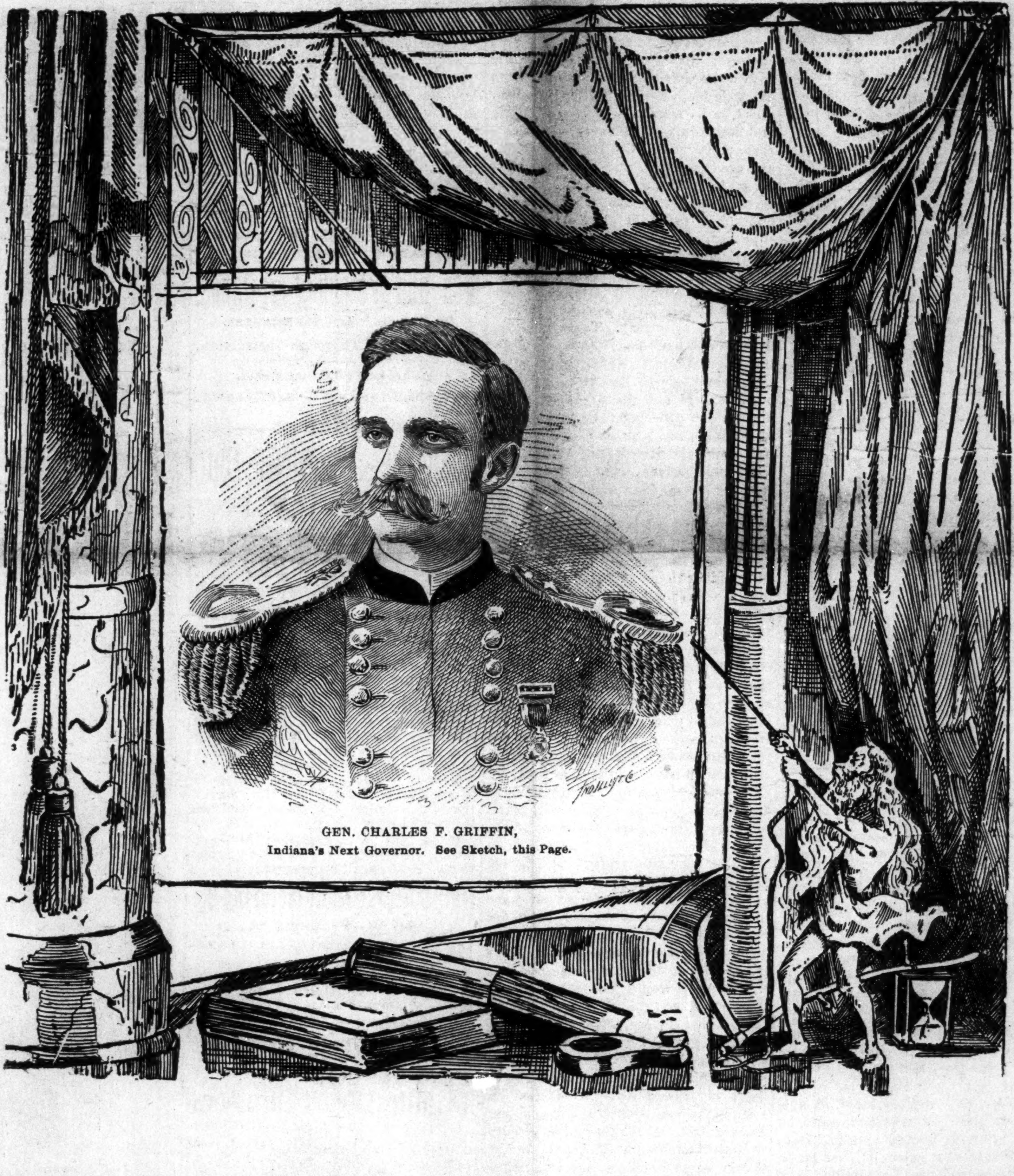
We, who are abolitionists of the strongest type, who would treat the slave trade as piracy and slave holding as an offense, warned the North that in giving the blacks the ballot, they were making, for the sake of mere logic, an experiment of extreme rashness. The ballot was, however, given, and proved worthless. The black man was not competent to govern, and the white man would not endure his attempts to do it. He was deprived of his vote by force applied in ways that produced excessive cruelty and injustice, and severed the two races worse than slavery had done; but force as usual, settled nothing. No security is possible where half the population are under arms to prevent the other half from exercising its legal rights, and the whites of the South are now seeking to disfranchise the blacks by legal means. They can not alter the Constitution, but they can, they think, make it inoperative, and a convention was called in South Carolina to devise the means. The plan of the convention was a very mean one. It was to disfranchise all illiterate voters and hand over to a state officer the right of deciding whether any one claiming to be literate really is so. That officer, it is admitted, will have secret instructions to admit whites but not blacks, and so the whole race will cease to claim the suffrage, and will be legally disfranchised. That is trickery, not statesmanship, but we see reasons to fear that it will be imitated in the colonies of South Africa, where already the question of race is a burning one, and where we may rely on it, the white race, once closely pressed in its interest or its pride, will submit to no government but its own. There is no place on earth where fifty thousand Englishmen consent to foreign rule, and we may take it as certain that the obedience which they refuse to Dutchmen and Spaniards, they will not concede to Negroes or half-casts, however numerous, or however "civilized."

The white race as a race, will obey no other, whatever happens. There will be perpetual discord rising frequently to the dignity and horror of local civil war, and the end will be either white withdrawal or more probably, and angry submission on the part of the blacks, almost as fatal to true civilization as civil war itself. We do not believe, in spite of the recoil in German and French opinion, that slavery will ever be tried again; and we hope that economic necessities, if not philanthropic feeling, will avert the expulsion, en masse, which was the Spanish plan, and which De'Tocqueville feared would be the end in the North American Republic.

Is it impossible to discover a principle or theory of government under which the two colors can live together, and yet observe the two essential conditions without which there can be no progress, that the black man shall be free and contented, and that the white man shall have the guidance of him? Incomparably the best system of course, is the Indian, which is the impartial rule over both colors of an enlightened, but despotic committee, delegated and controlled by a wise and christian government far away, but that method, which is in an extraordinary degree vivifying, is in most places now inapplicable. We want a principle on which Republicans can work, and we believe that the one which would be most fruitful is that the black people should be declared to be foreign emigrants, guests of the state, entitled to the benefit of the law and every privilege, education, for example, but debarred from political power and from sitting on juries, which latter indeed, in mixed cases ought to be superceded by properly qualified magistrates and judges. This principle honestly acted on, would leave all power for a time in the hands of the white men, without violence and without trickery, and all the rights in the posession of the black men which they are able to exercise wisely. To say they would be oppressed by such a rule is not true, for they would be precisely in the position of the majority of Englishmen before 1832, a position found to be perfectly compatible with much happiness and a fairly rapid progress in civilization. It would, of course, be a condition of the system that the legislature should not pass caste laws, should not impose taxation on any basis, except ability to pay, and should not accept any labor code not applicable to all alike.

The black man if aggrieved, could then strike, just as Italian workmen do in New York, and the question of industrial position would get itself settled by fair competition. There would be plenty of trouble, no doubt, of different kinds, but the fact and theory would be brought into accord, and the discreditable trickery of granting political powers with one hand, to take them away with the other, would be done away with. The superior competence of the white man, which for the present is undeniable, would be legally acknowledged, while nothing would be demanded of the black man not accorded by the man who is white. It will be said, of course, that the black man would resent his "legal inferiority," but we do not find that the mass of white women in the states or in South Africa resent theirs, and do not believe that the black is at heart so blind to what he feels, as regards all black men but himself to be a self-evident truth. We want, in fact, first of all, to be done with lying about the matter. The black man has exactly the same right to happiness, liberty and the pursuit of knowledge as the white man, but he has not the same right to govern because he is not so capable of doing so. Whether he will become capable we do not know nor does any body else. The experience of 3,000 years is against him, but during these years be never had the guidance of another and higher race, and never accepted a creed which strengthened him, as Mohammedanism has strengthened the Houssas, or softened him, as undoubtedly christianity has softened the emancipated blacks of Jamaica.

It has been pointed out that it is necessary in any plan of this kind to define a "black," or as he would prefer to be called, a "man of color"—a feat which Americans have never yet succeeded in accomplishing. We should define him as "a person of African origin, whose family had not been crossed twice in succession with white blood," thus admitting all quadroons, octoroons, etc., into the white class. We think it most dangerous to exclude them, and believe that the inefficiency for which, and not for the color, we would disqualify pure Negroes, does not exist in the mixed race. They often show, as we are now seeing in Cuba, and formerly saw in Hayti, great capacity for leadership, and their permanent ambition is to be registered among white men. They would feel exclusion excessively, and our object is not to depress this or that race, but to secure the means of happiness to the blacks without depriving the whites of that leadership which it is better they should have, and which, in the long run, they will inevitably take, if necessary, by the sword. We want, in fact, christian principle, and the facts of life to be thoroughly harmonized—to give up lying about a non-existent equality, and to put down oppression but not variations of political grade.—London Spectator.


GEN. CHARLES F. GRIFFIN,
Indiana's Next Governor. See Sketch, this Page.

Church Held for Cost.

Memphis, Tenn., Special.

Robert Stack died suddenly of abscess of the liver at his home March 8th. Funeral services were held at Avery Chapel A. M. E. church. Jack Gives is out again. Wedding bells will ring next month. On Sunday night at St. Andrew's Chapel a surprise wedding was held, the contracting parties being Miss Mary Hill and Chas. Walker. The Trilby Market, on Beale street, seems to be a great success; Mrs. J. A. Hooks, manager. Henry Howard, now in Chicago, is expected home in the near future. Wm. Haskins, who has been in Chicago for the past thirteen months, has returned. The Golden Hour Social club gave a grand entertainment at the residence of Miss L. V. Gray, 38 Donpap avenue, Wednesday evening. The Beale Street Baptist church is in the hands of John W. Boford, son of the Supreme Court clerk, who holds it as security for a debt of court cost in which his father, John W. Boford, clerk of that court, is largely interested. There was only one bid and it came from John W. Botord, Jr., who offered $250, and it was sold to him at that figure. It is believed that the people will raise enough money to save the church. A sixty foot high hydraulic freight elevator fell from the fourth story to the cellar at the W. S. Bruce & Co.'s carriage manufactoring establishment, taking down with it Sam Bell, 151 Monroe street, bruised about the head and body and back sprained; Andy Bowen, 313 Arion street, ankle bone fractured and wrist broken; George Chism, Shelby street, hip broken and body badly bruised; Frank Beall, (white), 131 Court street, both legs broken. Quite a large party of friends of Ed. Gibson gathered at his residence 17 Turley street, to celebrate his 28th birthday. Only the near friends of the family were present. Shortly after midnight Thursday morning Miss Gussie Thomas was drowned in the Mississippi. She leaves two little children, one 7 years of age, the other a girl of 12 years. The father died some years ago. Mrs. Thomas and her children lived in Dehoma, Miss., and had been visiting at Buck Ridge, and was going to their home. The mother had $51 on her person when drowned. The children were taken charge of by the police until some of their friends are heard from. The Manhattan Club has postponed its party until April.

Church and Social Meetings.

Clarinda, Ia., Special.

The Second Baptist church is still holding revival meetings. Mrs. Matthers is convalescent. Allen Jones of Bedford, spent Sunday with his parents. During the absence of Rev. Alexander, pastor of the A. M. E. church, the pulpit last Sunday was filled by Rev. Carralton, who preached a very interesting sermon. Mr. James Sherwood of Omaha, Neb., is in the city. Mrs. Geo. Huebanks is on the sick list. Mrs. J. Prince and children of Coin, Ia., were in the city Sunday, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. Dunn. Mr. B. Montgomery of Coin, Ia., was in the city Sunday, the guest of Mr. E. Cook. Miss Harriet S. Brown of Blanchard, Ia., spent Sunday with her aunt, Mrs. Geo. Huebanks. Mrs. J. Baker who has been visiting her parents in Bedford, Ia., returned home Saturday. Sunday was quarterly meeting at the A. M. E. church, Mrs. L. Helm and sister, Miss Nellie Brown, of Omaha, Neb., have returned home where they intend to reside. Married at the home of the bride's parents Mr. A. Ashford of this city, and Mrs. J. Keen of Bedford, Ia., Wednesday March 4th. The happy couple will go to Guthre Oklahoma, where they will make their home. Their many friends wish them success.

INDIANA'S NEXT GOVERNOR

GEN. CHARLES F. GRIFFIN, THE SON OF A VETERAN,

Is Out for the Nomination—Always Loyal to His Party—None More Worthy for the High Honor than Mr. Griffin.

The American Tribune is not a party paper. Its readers, however, are party men. The men who helped to surpress the Rebellion, and their sons, belong to that class of patriots whose love of country impels them to take an active interest in the election of those who make and execute the laws. For that reason, we, from time to time give more or less emphatic expression to our opinion of candidates who are seeking nomination from party conventions. At the next election a governor of the state is to be chosen.

If we may judge from the apparent general drift of public sentiment the candidate nominated by the Republican State Convention will be Indiana's next governor.

That being true, all good citizens are interesting in the nominee of the party. No man, whose name has been used in that connection would make a stronger candidate, or a better governor, than Charles F. Griffin, of Hammond. He is a native of Indiana, born June 10th, 1857, and was both born and bred on an Indiana farm. He is the son of a veteran soldier, Major Elihu Griffin of Crown Point, who was paralized as a result of his service against armed rebellion in 1861 to 1865. He was educated in the common schools of the state, and in the Spiceland Quaker Academy. The money which paid his way through the Academy he earned teaching school. He took up the study of law with a zeal, energy and thoroughness which is characteristic of the man, and was admitted to the bar at Crown Point where he took a front seat in the ranks of the profession. He was successful from the start and soon became widely and favorably known as a skillful lawyer and powerful advocate. This position he has ever since maintained.

He has always taken an active part in politics, and as a Republican no one has ever had occasion to question his loyalty to his party or its principles. In 1884 he was an alternate delegate to the National Republican Convention.

In 1886, when only 29 years of age he was elected secretary of state, and was re-elected in 1888. He was the youngest man ever elected to that office. In each campaign he made a brilliant canvass of the state, and ran ahead of his ticket at the polls. No man ever made a better and cleaner record as a public officer. In 1892, Mr. Griffin was one of the delegates-at-large to the National Republican Convention at Minneapelis.

In 1891, after his second term as secretary of state expired, he returned to his old county but made his home at Hammond, instead of at Crown Point. In 1883 he became connected with the National Guard of the state, (or the Indiana legion as it was then called) as the captain of a company at Crown Point one of the companies of the third regiment.

His service with the National Guard ended in 1892 when he was mustered out as Major of the third regiment. In 1889 he was elected commander-in-chief of the Sons of Veterans.

During the year of his incumbency that order enjoyed a degree of prosperity never known by it before or since. This was due in large measure to his energy and zeal, his rare executive talent, and his sound discretion. His character is without stain. He is an active and consistent member of the Presbyterian church and no one can say that his life is not in full accord with his profession.

He is a 32nd degree Mason, a Knight Templar and a Knight of Pythias. If he should be elected governor Indiana will be assured of a clean, firm and wise administration of the executive department of the state government. Indiana's old soldiers and Sons of Veterans should be especially interested in the candidacy of this brilliant and sagacious young man, who is both a son of the state and a son of an Indiana veteran. The Republican State Convention will choose wisely if it places his name at the head of its ticket this year.

Other men may ask the nomination who are equally worthy and qualified, but of all who have been named, no one can be found more worthy, no one better equipped in every way, and no one with a better or cleaner record as a man or as an officer. With him as its candidate there would be no scandals to suppress and the party would not be weakened by the necessity of defending, excusing or explaining personal charges against the head of the ticket

Burlington News.

Burlington, Ia., Special.

Will Platt, son of a prominent Burlington family departed ostensibly for St. Louis, but instead he went South, and while stealing a ride was run over by a freight train at Junction Ga., and killed. A colony of twenty-five people departed Friday on a special train from stations between Burlington and Oskaloosa enroute to Allen and Bourbon counties.

Church News.

Houston, Tex., Special.

Rev. Dr. F. L. Lights is conducting a successful revival at Antioch Baptist church. So far there is about fifty converts. Rev. Dr. Carr of Indianapolis has been assisting the doctor. The branch office of the Texas Headlight here made an exchange with The Freeman man.

FOR THE A. M. E. REVIEW.

DR. J. M. HENDERSON DECLARES HIMSELF IN THE RACE

For the Editorship—Equal to the Emergency of Creating a Great Magazine —What the Review Should be— An Ideal Man.

The conditions which confronted African Methodism in her infancy have been greatly altered by the progress of time and events. Perhaps the chief change can be expressed in these words, "Afro-Americans are now all citizens and are more or less intermingling in the activities of the national life." When there was a sharp line drawn between the two races, there was, of course, no friction. But now that the Afro-American has come to recognize his manhood and his right to assert it, he leaps over the line that prejudice would maintain, and plunges into the activities of the teeming life about him. The whites now discover that the Afro-American is thinking the same thoughts, reading the same books and indulging in the same hopes that go to make up their own life. For this reason the world is slowly changing its opinion of the Afro-American. It goes hard with some of the whites, but the facts are right before their eyes and they can't refuse to see them.

Within four years Bishop Turner and Bishop Grant have crossed the ocean and away from American prejudice, have been seen in their true light as men and accorded the high respect which they merited. Many whites, who on this side of the water looked down on these men, found that on the other side conditions were reversed. It has taught a great lesson.

Bishop Tanner, Dr. T. G. Stewart, Dr. Lyons and others have been sought as contributors to the Independent, and their words have appeared in columns that are closed to the thousands of white clergymen, who are thus forced to see that the Afro-American may be a superior. These are but a few among tens of thousands of incidents in which individuals of our class have been recognized as superior to individuals of the other race. But the sum total of these instances has produced a deep effect upon the opinion of the world concerning us.

Now is the time to push our advantages. Now is the time to constantly make the best possible showing. The opinions of the world are being re-casted, the relations of classes of men are being re-organized. Years ago the world formed its notions of the capabilities of the Negro from its acquaintance with isolate individuals, such as Douglass and Langston. But now conditions have altered. The world wants to see the inner life of the race; wants to behold the quality of our consciousness. That is to say, wants to see our literature. If we have any good and great thoughts, if we are making progress in our ideas, it will all show in our literature.

The A. M. E. Review was created to meet this demand. It was intended to exhibit the best thoughts of the race from ocean to ocean. Whatever the race is doing in science, in art, in commerce, in social progress, should be reflected from the pages of the Review. Thus would the world come to know us better and we would also know ourselves better.

I do not exaggerate the possibilities before the church for developing the Review into a great magazine. The possibilities are so apparent that a failure to make the Review great, will be such a clear evidence of incapacity that we had better abandon its publication altogether unless we set out to make it something like it should and could be.

Three years ago there were but five noted magazines, the Century, Harpers', Scribners', the Cosmopolitan and Munsey's. Now McClure's, a comparatively new magazine, has a circulation of 300,000 copies a month, and is preparing to meet the demand for 600,000. McClure, the proprietor, is not as old as I.

The Review could be made of intense interest to the reading world, could find a place on every news stand under control of the news companies, and could become one of the magazines of the Nation. I have big ideas about its possibilities. Influenced by the suggestions of several of our leading men, I have thought over the idea of asking the Church to give me a chance to make the effort. Against deciding to do so there have existed some weighty reasons. In order to be elected, a man is supposed to flatter, to conciliate, to hold his tongue, to sometimes say things that he don't mean. Any man who says even true things when there is no good to be accomplished by it, is a fool, but no man should permit himself to get into the habit of remaining silent when he ought not to be. The Church knows me now. There is no longer any of our thoughtful men who fear that I will say anything that should not be said. There are hundreds who now say that my course has been right. Rev. J. G. Robinson, who some months ago gave me some sturdy blows throught these columns, last week wrote me a letter, saying: "Notwithstanding the controversy that once took place between us in The Freeman, I have read your very able articles regarding the coming General Conference with more than ordinary interest. I consider that your writings, more than any one else in the great connection to which we belong, have brought the church to its feet, and now all eyes are looking with care to see the delegates place such men in the different departments as will carry our banner to victory." (I think that I violated no implied restraint by quoting the above.) It is to show the change of sentiment in relation to candid discussion.

I take this means of openingly stating that I have decided to ask the brethren to consider me as one among the candidates for the editorship of the Review. I have no personal popularity to back me up, but if I am given the job I'll do my very best every single day and hour to serve the church, and make the task a success. I am confident that the Review could have a circulation of 20,000 within four years, and could be known throughout the English speaking world.

There are two splendid candidates for this same office, either of whom would probably be much more acceptable than I. Dr. J. P. Sampson is a scholar, a fine man and is deserving of any honor within the gift of his brethren. Rev. R. C. Ransom, B. D., is perhaps the most progressive pastor of the Church, and is every inch a scholar. I am bold to come into the arena and face two such Knights, but within a few days the advice of some of our leading men, has changed my mind and convinced me that the offer of myself as a candidate would at least be treated with respect. Having decided to stand for the task, I lose no time in making it known. If I am not fitted, I don't wan't to be elected; if I am suited, I want the brethren to have a chance to think it over.

REV. J. M. HENDERSON,
82 Vanderbilt Ave., Brooklyn.

Knights of Pythias.

Philadelphia, Pa., Special.

Penna Lodge No. 1, K. of P., Friday March 6th conferred the degree of Page upon a class of four candidates. This lodge is meeting with great success. Its monthly sessions are made so entertaining that the attendance of members steadily increases and visiting brethren find here a hospitable welcome and fraternal good cheer. Keystone Division No. 4, U. R. K. of P., met on Wednesday evening last, the attendance being the largest this year. One application was received. The Division numbers fifty members. The newly elected officers are pushing, enterprising young men, and they promise to make the division second to none in Pythianism. Great preparations are being made in this division to attend the annual celebration of the U. R. K. of P. of the state of Penna at Chester, March 26th. The division expects to take fifty uniformed men accompanied by the Keystone Bugle Corps and the Fig Leaf Drum Corps. Brigadier General W. G. Jones and staff have accepted an invitation to attend the celebration. It is reported that company B of the Gray's Invincibles N. G., of Penna, will attend the celebration of Knights of Pythias at Chester the 26th. Hermion Court of I. O. Calanthe K. of P., held its regular weekly meeting at 1022 Locust street Monday evening. The evening was spent in discussing various matters of interest to the welfare of the Order. The president reported a gain of members. Grand Chancellor Commander Sir H. M. Kelley is expecting to go to Harrisburg institute a K. of P. lodge this month. Rev. J. W. Fisher of Little Rock, Ark., is visiting in the city. Samuel Brown of Penna lodge, K. of P. who has been confined to his home, 1621 Bangor street with heart-failure, is reported better. Miss Emma Berry is convalescent. The King's Daughters of Zoar M. E. church met on Tuesday evening. John Bennett has returned home from Milford, Del., where he went to visit his aunt. Miss Annie Miller, 637 Andress street is able to be out again. A revival is going on at Cherry street Baptist church. Rev. J. D. Richardson, pastor of Zoar M. E. church was tendered a donation Tuesday evening.

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The Auto-Biography of one of Freedom's Pioneers.

[CONTRIBUTOR'S NOTE—Without praise or criticise; without change of style, I present this history, written in 1849, in the woods of Franklyn county, New York. The only correction I have made is in the spelling, as the education of the hero of the story consisted in his ability to read and write. He burned the midnight oil to advantage when in the woods of Franklin county, reading and committing to the care of his great memory all the standard prose and verse books of the day, with the good book at the head of the list.

In every warfare there are heroes whose names fail to appear upon the pages of history. The great general, who from his guarded tent, sent out the plan for the victorious engagement, lives in song and story, but the courier who braved the shot and shell of the evening to carry the same, died "unwept, unhonored and unsung." The Admiral who stood upon the bridge of the man-of-war and directs the broadside shots that destroyed the hostile ship, lives forever in the hearts of his beloved countrymen, while the little "powder monkey" who entered the mouth of the dormant hell—the magazine—and passed up the powder, shot and shell, sleeps in an unknown grave. It was so in freedom's battle, and the hero of the auto-biography was one of the common soldiers in the abolitionistic warfare.]—B. Square.

PREFACE.

HOW LITTLE I KNOW: HOW MUCH I FEEL.

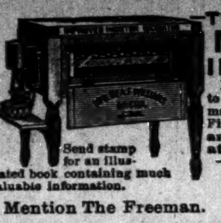
For as much as many have at various times and by different methods attempted to set forth before the thinking and reading public, who perhaps to have philanthropic principles dwelling within them, the absolute power which the system of American slavery has given to the slave-holder over his slave, and whereas the sufferings of the poor slaves have also been shown to the world; and whereas in these latter days the slaves themselves (or a portion of them) have spoken for themselves in a manly and undenying manner to the people of these United States, showing the grievances under which they labor, and calling upon the humane everywhere to aid them by all fair and honorable means to receive the common birthright of all—freedom. Their appeals have had in part a happy effect. We see men of great minds and means taking the subject of slavery into consideration. We also see the public journals taking up the subject, many of them giving a full discussion in their columns, denouncing the system in the strongest language; while others that were avowed champions of slavery, remain silent or oppose it in part. Thus we begin to see the gigantic power of slavery moved by steam. The press, which has spread its dark influence like a thunder cloud over our skies, contaminating the spirit of liberty by its poison; the press, from whose clouds has fallen chains and fetters to bind the wretched slave still faster in his bands; the press, that from time to time furnished the slave holder with means to carry on his accursed traffic in human blood, now acknowledge the injustice and inhumanity of slavery, as now carried on in these United States. We also see the pulpit that has for a long period been the friend and shield of slavery, begin to take a bold stand in opposition to it, in place of trying to support it from the bible as was formerly done. There are many other things we might attribute to the labors of the slaves and their friends which have opened the eyes of the world to the horrors of slavery. There has been in my humble opinion, however, one all important subject which appears to have been neglected by the majority of our writers and lecturers toil; the wrongs and sufferings, the free people of color in the southern states have undergone and are still undergoing. It shall not, however, be my intention to separate them from their bond brethren, but rather present them both together to my readers as one man of sorrow worthy of your aid and smpathy. I shall not attempt to deny that the slaves suffer in many particulars more than the free people, for example being compelled to labor in sickness as well as health, without wages or sufficient food or raiment to make them comfortable. If any of them should run away they were hunted with blood hounds and are shot down without mercy by poor whites who often receive large rewards from their (the slaves) masters for killing them, and many other things all of which have been treated upon by other writers. I have, however, seen and heard more than I have seen written or more than I now intend to write at this time.

I often hear the friends of slavery using the argument in favor of it and pointing out the sad picture of some unhappy free person of color, who has been a prey to their tender mercies. They try by such comparisons to make it appear that the slaves, if they had their liberty would not take care of themselves, and that they are better off in a state of slavery. These false delusions have been, I regret the cause, of deceiving many who were the friends of my enslaved brethren and sisters. They have been led to believe that such is the character of the black man bond or free. It is, therefore, needful that all the facts and light that can be, should be produced to eradicate these false impressions from the public mind. I therefore present to the reading public my narrative, hoping that it may not prove altogether uninteresting.

WILLIS H. HODGE,
Franklin Co., N. Y.,
Feb. 12, (my birthday) 1849.

CHAPTER I.

My name is Willis Augustus Hodges, I was born in Blockwater, Princess Anne county, State of Virginia on Feb. 12, 1815. My parents were free, as well as my grandmothers. My grandfathers were slaves My father's name was Charles Augustus Hodges, whose mother being a free woman made her children also free although her husband was a slave. When my father arrived at the age of twelve his mother used to send him to work two days in the week for her husband that he (my grand father) might be home with her one day. My father giving two day's work for one day's rest for his father although he could do almost a man's task, being an uncommon, strong and large boy for his age. As soon as he was able to do a man's work, he worked the greater part of his time until he was of age, in his father's place and let the old man stay home with grand mother, and work around the house and garden etc. One of the first things that my father did after he was of age was to purchase his father's freedom.



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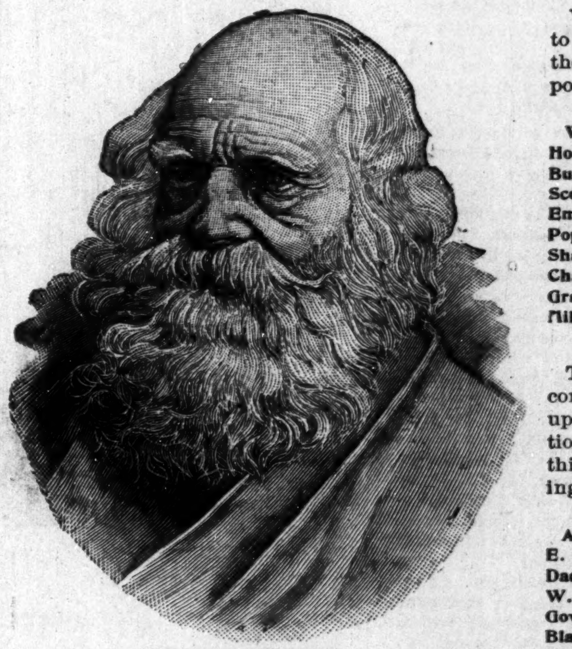

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CHAPTER XXIX.

AS TO DR. THOS. JEFFERSON SYKES.

> "——conducted by historic truth,
> We tread the long extent of backward time."
> —Thompson.

Thomas Jefferson Wright was born in Princess Anne Co., Md. in 1833. His father was a Boston merchant who settled in that section of Maryland. His mother was a Miss Catharine Sykes, a native of the state, whose ancestry dated back to the days of Lord Baltimore. His father and mother both died when he was very young leaving him to the care of a maternal uncle, a Charles Sykes who was one of the largest land and slave owners in the section. Thomas tired of country life and wanted to travel. He did not like driving or whipping slaves. He inherited in a small degree his Northern born father's idea of freedom for all mankind. At the age of 18 he ran away from his Maryland home and shipped as cabin boy on a vessel leaving the port of Baltimore for Liverpool; when the ship reached England he ran away and found employment as clerk for a country doctor in Bradfordshire. The doctor had his own apothecary shop, and a part of the young man's duties was to grind the herbs and roots for pills and teas. He liked the art of healing and its mystries. When he was twenty two, Dr. Langford removed to Hamilton, Canada. The young man entered the medical department of a well known university in that place from which he graduated with high honors. Dr. Langford died a few years later poor in this world's goods but standing at the head of his profession and it was the intention of his young student to attempt to fill his place. A notice in one of the United States papers for which he subscribed caused him to start for Baltimore to see his aged uncle, Charles Sykes, leaving until his return, his wife and infant daughter. His wife was a beautiful mulatto who had been a fellow student at the university with whom the young medical student fell in love and duly married. Her maiden name was Martha Monday, she was born in Beaconsville township,——county, Va. in 1852; she was the half sister of William and Susan Jones to whom the reader has been introduced chapters ago. When Martha Monday was ten years old on the eve of freedom, an attempt was made to send her mother and three children with a lot of other bond people further South. The mother was a "house girl" and overheard the conversation and started that night to cross over to the Union lines with her little daughter and a son of her brother. Her two older children being hired out about twenty miles from Beaconsville. One of the Union officers who had relatives in Hamilton, Canada, sent them there. The boy soon after enlisted in the United States Army and purchased his freedom upon the battle-field.

The cold north winds of Canada were too strong for the old lady. She contracted a heavy cold and died in about a year after she had reached the New Dominion. Her daughter, Martha Munday was adopted by one of the leading white families of the town who gave her a complete education. She attended the University with her white foster brother who was a class-mate of young Thos. Jefferson Wright. Wright met her at school and at her house fell in love with the beautiful mulatto and married her—not under the impression that she was a pure-blooded white girl, however; he knew all of her history, that she knew. There was no prejudice at the time in Hamilton and nothing for a few years marred the happiness of Dr. and Mrs. Thos. J. Wright. The doctor had now arrived at the stage of life when a man desires to be wealthy and he often found himself regretting that he had left the roof of his uncle who must ere this be dead and whose children must be rolling in wealth. Then his better reason would point out for him a future of fame far more lasting than money or lands.

During one of his day dreams of wealth he turned to a "personal" in a Washington, D. C., newspaper which offered liberal reward for any information concerning the whereabouts of one Thos. Jefferson Wright, who left the home of his uncle, Charles Sykes, Esq., years before to seek fame and fortune; said information was to be sent to a leading Baltimore attorney. Dr. Wright wrote at once, and learned that his uncle was still alive and wished to see him at once. He left Hamilton the evening he received this information for Baltimore where he met his uncle. The old man wanted to make a will in favor of his nephew; there was one condition to be made: His three sons had fallen in battle, and he wished to perpetuate the name of Sykes. Before he would will the young man his large estate, the nephew's name must be legally changed from Wright to Sykes. The nephew agreed to this at once. The old man next suggested a certain young woman as a suitable woman for a wife. The young doctor was forced to admit that he was married, that his wife was sickly and could not travel. In due credit to him it must be said that he never intended to live in Maryland. He intended as soon as he came in possession of his uncle's estate to convert all but the old homestead into cash and invest the money in real estate and bonds in or near Hamilton.

He wrote a frank letter to his wife, telling her all the ins and outs of the matter, saying he would not be able to return for several months; that she must keep out of the way of strangers for fear that his uncle would find out to whom he was married. Mrs. Wright did not answer her husband's letter; she concluded that he had cruelly forsaken her. She took her little daughter and returned to the home of her birth in Beaconsville township, —— county, Va. She died a few years later and her daughter was adopted by her brother and sister.

Wright had his name legally changed to Sykes and his uncle's estate transferred to himself and returned to Hamilton to learn the cause of his wife's not writing. He did not let his friends there know his business, but left the impression that he had sent for his wife and child, and that they were at his new home. He returned to Baltimore where he remained two years, during which time his uncle died. He at once sold the entire estate and purchased a large tract of land at Parkersburg, O., where he built a large flour mill. He then started out to try and find his wife and daughter. He remembered hearing her say that she was born in the western part of Virginia. He wrote to all postmasters in the western part of Virginia and put personals in the leading papers in that section for years, and then gave up the attempt.

He found his daughter Martha Wright by the merest accident. He went to C——, Va., to see one of his agents about the buying of some wheat; drove out to Beaconsville; saw a lot of colored children coming from school; some one yelled, "Martha Wright!" In the girl who responded to the call he saw the picture of his wife. That evening he drove out in the country alone, inquired about the girl, found out she was his long lost daughter, and that her mother was dead; he then went to Uncle Bill and offered to educate the girl upon the grounds that he had taken "an unusual interest in the child."

A few weeks after the close of the proxy correspondence, Dr. Thos. Jefferson Sykes, still unknown to Uncle Bill and family, made him an offer to go west and take charge of a large wheat farm near Parkersburg. The pay offered was fabulous and the old man accepted the doctor's second offer in the same manner he did the first, and without the knowledge of his sister or Miss Martha agreed to it. She wanted a change; she was tired of Beaconsville and tired of teaching school. She wanted to get away from the place, where she had built so many false hopes for the future. She left for a town she little knew was partly owned by her father—the man she had always supposed was dead. She had been to Sandusky to purchase some goods for her Aunt Susan and self and was returning home when she met by accident her old literary unknown friend (for such she always deemed Hardy in her heart of hearts.) She found him to be her ideal man in every respect. She came near waiting for the evening train home.

"How fortunate," she said to herself as she led the way into a neat little parlor, "that I took this train or perhaps we would have never met or at least not until it was too late."

Her sober self asked "too late for what?"

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North Carrolton News.

North Carrolton, Miss., Special.

Mrs. Eliza Thomas was in our city this week. The concert on Feb. 29th was a grand affair. A concert was given on the 10th. Miss Lora Campbell was in town this week. J. W Richardson was here from Feby this week. Mr. Miller, a fine musician is in town. Rev. N. A. Nabors will preach for us Sunday, morning and evening.

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The Literary Lyceum.

Tunis, Tex., Special.

The Literary Lyceum of Silver Valley had a call meeting Sunday and have decided to meet on the 1st and 3rd Sunday in each month. Debate, "Resolved, That Woman is Naturally Inferior to Man." Affirmative, A. L. Jordan; negative, E. J. Hoffman; J. S. Reed, M. D., of Bryan, made some interesting remarks. Dr. Reid is late of the Meharry Medical College and is a favorite in Bryan. Dr. T. J. Harris, our home physician should not be overlooked. Since his arrival here in the summer of '95 he has treated many cases successfully. Prof. E. J. Hoffman is doing a good work at Clayton Hill school. He has enrolled up to date eighty-four pupils. The Prof. is a race man and a dear lover of The Freeman. The firm of Morris Bros. is still on the boom. Those who desire to keep up with the times, read The Freeman.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS

[Under this head the literary editor will endeavor to answer any question of general interest.]

Kentucky.—Benj. Thornton is the only colored detective in this city.

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Trix.—"Father" and "Mother" are the best and sweetest names to give to one's parents.

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Miss M.—It is not considered good taste for a girl of 18 to drive out alone with a young man.

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Mame.—The old idea that something must be left on the plate "for manners" no longer obtains.

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Daughter.—Put a binding on your petticoat as you would on a dress skirt for protection against wear.

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Washerwoman.—I advise you to make a bag of heavy ticking to hold your clothes-pins and clothes-lines in.

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Housekeeper.—Linoleum is much to be preferred to oil-cloth for the kitchen floor; (2) piano keys may be cleaned with diluted alcohol, applied with a piece of soft muslin.

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Peter Parley.—There are three colored papers published in St. Louis, Mo., The Expositor, The American Eagle and The Advance Citizen, E. St. Louis. You can reach them by addressing them.

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The Magnolia District Conference.

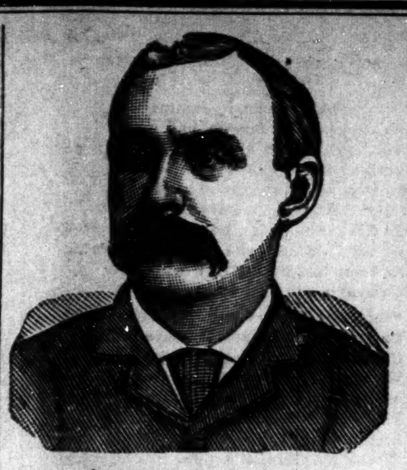
Stephens, Ark., Special.

The Magnolia District Conference of the A. M. E. church convened in St. Phillips A. M. E. church, Magnolia, Ark., Feb. 19th, Rev. G. G. Baker, P. E., presiding. Rev. J. E. Pennington was elected secretary; Rev. Wm. Winston was appointed reporter by the chairman; Mrs D. K. Turner delivered the welcome address. The following ministers preached at the District Conference: A. Thompson, J. R. Harris, C. W. Miller, J. G. Laster, J. J. Brown and Wm. Winston. Total amount collected $90.60. The District Missionary Society elected the following ladies as delegates to the Missionary State Convention which convenes in Little Rock April 18-21. Mrs. Wm. Winston, Miss Ida Daniels and Miss Lula T. Blakely, Mrs. K. A. Baker, president. Rev. D. K Turner and his kind congregation cared for the conference nicely. The Magnolia District is on a boom, under the leadership of our worthy presiding elder, Rev. G. G. Baker.

Martha Washington Tea.

Anderson, Ind., Special.

The Ministerial Association of this city, has asked the City Council to pass an ordiance prohibiting the use of cigaretts and tobacco by boys under the age of sixteen years. The Martha Washington teaparty given by the ladies of the M. E. church, was quite a success. J. M. Collins and Mrs. Clem Hill represented the first president and his wife. Those who presented songs and sketches of the Washingtons were, P. J. Blakemore, H. L, Thompkins, Misses Ada Preston, Fannie Rankins, Ida Cannon and Mesdames Mary Davis and J. M. Collins. Joe Bellony of Greencastle is visiting friends of this city. The millitary band is our latest organization. The boys are doing well under the instruction of P. J. Blakemore. John W. Williams and Abe Peelle of Muncie, were in the city last Sunday. Timothy Hoosier came up from New Castle to spend Sunday with his family. William Douglass is visiting at Muncie. Mrs. Emma Watkins is at Greenfield. Jessie West has gone to Montpelier to live. Will Newson was the guest of Mrs. Ella Bass Sunday. Thos. Luke of Kokomo, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Gowl last week.



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Sincerely, Albert Ayers,
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Sincerely, Mrs. Barrett,
121-23rd Street.

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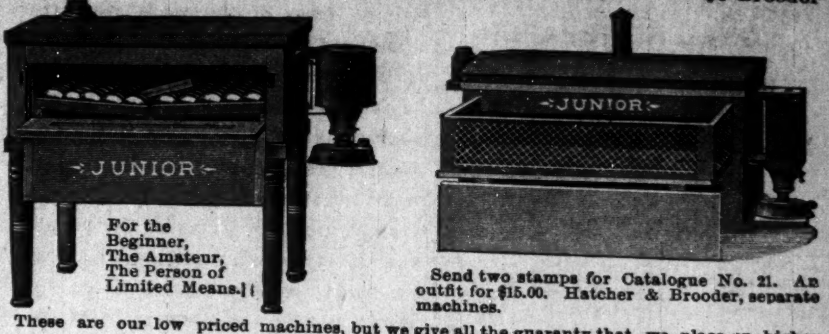

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NOTICE.

We have been notified that one E. P. Pinchback is soliciting subscriptions for The Freeman through Ohio. He is a fraud and not a representative of this paper. We will pay twenty-five dollars for his arrest and conviction.

UNDER A CLOUD.

About a year ago Nettie Cleggett, colored, was arrested in this city upon a charge of infanticide. The case was transfered to Hancock county, where William H. Pauley, white, is sheriff. She was placed in his custody. The case went against her. She was brought to the reformatory of this city. It now transpires that Nettie Cleggett, after having been in prison and jail for nearly a whole year, has just given birth to a child. She has made an affidavit that Sheriff Pauley is the father of the child. When Governor Matthews learned the situation he became indignant. He sent for Pauly to know the truth of the matter; but he declares that the charge is false. A Special to the Cincinnati Enquirer says:

"A friend of the sheriff came to see the Executive in Pauley's interest, and intimated that the Sheriff denied his guilt, and would state that the offense was committed by his son. This heightened the Governor's indignation, and he said:

"You tell Pauley that the girl says he is the author of her condition, and I believe her, and if he wants to destroy the little respect that people would have for him the proper course is to shift the blame upon his son."

It is said that the girl was not anxious to testify against Sheriff Pauley on account of the good treatment she received at the hands of Mrs. Pauley. Although Sheriff Pauley denies the allegations, the fact remains that someone is responsible for Nettie Cleggett's condition. It is a case that will stand a little airing. We note of late a tendency to magnify cases where Negroes are concerned.

Now comes a case that is more demoralizing than anything a century has presented, and there is not very much ado about it either. Pauley may put in a disclaimer, but 'tis mortally certain that within the precincts of a prison house a crime has been committed; the first of its kind in the State. He may not be the author, but the offence is committed. He should answer for her moral conduct as well as her personal restraint. It is not to be hoped that Mr. Pauley or the guilty one will be inhumanely treated, but in the name of decency and fair play this case should not be smothered.

Comment is rife on all corners as to who is the fittest colored man to go to the legislature. The bee has set to buzzing in a good many bonnets. The candidates of yore are ever with us, also the candidates of a few months standing. It is rather strange to see how tenaciously they cling to one place as though they had a right in fee simple. Some of the candidates have announced their intentions by way of cards. These gentlemen, who are so forward to impale themselves on the country's altar, had better throw Cathode rays around about for the help of inner reflection. Every man has a right to appeal to the suffrage of the people when he lays claim to such positions as his ability render him eligible. No man should receive the support of the people for any office, if he does not deliberately consider his worthiness to such an office. Public offices are public trust, and are no more to be maladministered than private offices. No man has a right to apply for a place through the suffrage of the people that he would not apply for under ordinary circumstances. Legislative candidates do not mean a field open to all comers. Put the best afforded to the front for the most dignified position the Negroes of Marion county have ever held. Petty likes and dislikes cut no figure; if you have the man trot him out. The man who makes the legislature may make ministerships and consulships to foreign lands possible.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

"The trial at Waterboro, S. C., of Dr. Ackerman, a white physician, and four associates, for whipping to death a Negro and his mother for the alleged crime of stealing a Bible from a church, terminated last week in a verdict of acquittal. This verdict was rendered in spite of the fact that Rosa Kearse, the wife of the murdered Negro, positively identified the accused. She was whipped at the same time as her husband and mother-in-law, but escaped with her life."—Exchange.

It may not be generally known, but this is the first case under the new laws of South Carolina, known as the "Anti-Lynching Laws." Absence of intent (quite an ingenious phrase) was the defense, which plea seems quite as omnipotent as ingenious. The first act in the travesty is not likely to inspire respect. Just how a verdict for acquittal could be rendered must be charged up to the irregular methods in the South. It may be of no moment to air this case farther than it serves to unmask South Carolina's lieing pretensions.

The injury done is sufficient without masquerading around in philanthropical trappings. We had hoped better things; but, alas, a new name applied altereth not the stench.

Aeter a very long silence Mr. McKinley has this to say regarding the money question.

"I have discussed the question of currency and coinage in Congress, and my record is plain. Vice-President Stevenson once said the people were willing to chance free and unlimited coinage, and I responded that the people were not prepared to indulge in any such speculation. You will see that in the records of Congress, I said in 1890, that we should preserve gold and silver money side by side; that I did not want gold at a premium, or silver at a discount, or vice versa, but that I want both metals to be equal in purchasiong power, and in legal tender quality, equal in power to perform the functions of money with which to do the business and move the commerce of the United States. My exact views are these, said Governor McKinley, as he read from the Congressional Record the following:

"It is only because of the safe and conservative policy of the Republican party, aided by conservative men of both parties, which has more than once received the approval of the country, that since 1878 we have compelled gold and silver to work together upon an equality, both employed as safe means of exchange in the business of our country. They talk about cheap silver being cheap money. I am not attracted by the word cheap, whether applied to nations, or to money, or to men. Whatever dollars we have in this country must be good dollars, as good in the hands of the poor as the rich, equal in inherent merit, equal in purchasing power, whether they be paper dollars, or gold dollars, or silver dollars, or Treasury notes, each convertible into the other, and each exchanageable for the other, because each is based upon equal value, and has behind it security, good, not by the flat of law alone, but good because the whole commercial world recognizes its interent and inextinguishable value."

AID FOR ALABAMA SCHOOLS.

The Senate bill to donate public lands in Alabama to the Girl's Industrial School of the State and to the Tuskegee Institute, of which Booker T. Washington is the president, received favorable action at the hands of the House committee on public lands. An amendment was added, providing that the land given to the two institutions shall be of equal value, the committee, it is said, fearing that the white school might get the coal lands and the colored school the swamp lands in the division."

The good work of Booker T. Washington goes on. The Senate was alive to its duty in seeing that the Negroes did not get the worst of it. It was a very wise precaution.

THE TORNADO.

[Written after hearing Blind Boone's rendition of "The Tornado."]

It was Sabbath eve, in summer
Worshippers to church, had gone,
And to God were giving praises,
Both by prayer and sacred song;
Slowly faded the golden sunlight,
Shortly dropped the evening shades,
Nature'd bowed her head in slumber;
To rest had sunk the matchless sun,
And the last note of the wild bird
Echoed in the distant wood.

When low the sun was sinking
Casting back its softened rays,
Crowning the mountains with beauty
Whispered not of coming storm.
All unmindful they of danger
The services were carried on.
Listen! Hark! they're sweetly singing,
'Tis an old familiar hymn.
But a sound not of the organ
Mingles with this gospel song.

Lo! the music sweet, continues,
The organ plays, the people sing;
Hark! another sound more heavy
Nearer than the one before,
And the lurid flash of lightning
Lights the earth and darkened sky,
Almost drowned the sacred music,
Hear the rumbling, muttering sound;
Nearer, louder, rolls the thunder,
For the storm's fast coming on.

How the roaring wind is tearing,
Twisting trees, uplifting much,
And the heavy rain drops falling,
Pelting hard on roof and ground;
Hear the awful roaring, rushing,
Fearful is the dreadful sound,
For the storm in all its fury
Fiercely dashes through the town;
Bells are wildly, loudly ringing,
Adding to the deafening sound.

It has reached its height of madness
All its forces now combined
As it lifts things from their bases,
Bears them in its arms along,
And with violent force and anger
Hurls them to the ground again.
But the storm is now abating,
All its fury has been spent;
Naught is heard now save the dropping
Of the water from the eaves.

Virgie Whitsett.

DENOUNCED BY THE REICHSTAG.

Dr. Carl Peters, the African explorer, Imperial Commissioner to Africa in 1891, has been denounced by the German Reichstag for causing a Negro and Negress to be hung. It appears that the distinguished Doctor was intimate with the Nigress, but she took a fancy to one of her own country men. The Doctor claims he had married her according to African rites and that they were guilty of adultry. The officer deputized to carry out the execution refused, but the sentence was carried out notwithstanding. The Reichstag cannot be too highly commended for denouncing so emphatically an outrage committed so flagrantly.

GOVERNOR BRADLEY.

Governor Bradley, of Kentucky, has produced a profound sensation in that commonwealth by calling out the militia to quell rioting about the capitol at Frankfort. The Colonels are highly incensed at this what are pleased to call high-handedism on the part of the Governor. He says it is not his own safety, but that of the legislators he has in mind. Governor Bradley is proving himself every inch a governor.

"Prof. Booker T. Washington has been in Milwaukee recently and through his influence the Pabst and Schlitz Brewing Companies have determined to erect in Tallahatchie county, Miss., where they own 60,000 acres of land, several industrial colleges, where Negroes can learn trades and receive an education so that they may become good mechanics. The brewers also propose to colonize this land. The college will be free."—The Baptist Safeguard.

The Pabsts may get advertisement out of this; but the Negroes will get the colleges, so honors are even.

Dr. Henderson, pastor of Bethel A. M. E. church, of Indianapolis, Ind., is strongly endorsed by many as the proper man for one of the Bishops to be elected at the next general conference.—The Cherokee Freedman.

Wrong my friend, Dr. Henderson has announced himself and The Freeman endorses him for the Business Managership of the Book Concern.

Ex-Governor Campbell, of Ohio, thinks things look McKinleyish in Ohio, but he desires him to keep an eye on the Southern delegates. It is not known just what Campbell means. It sounds as if he meant there might be some bartering.

A gigantic effort is being made to break the McKinley forces in Indiana. If it should be accomplished the success would be but momentary, for the people are for Major McKinley.

The publishers of "Our Day," a strong literary and religious magazine, formerly edited by Joseph Cook, has secured Booker T. Washington, of Tuskegee, as one of its editors.

The reconquering of Soudan is to be undertaken by the British. They feel no security in Egypt until the fierce Mahdi is no longer a menace.

There is a remarkable unanimity of feeling between the powers of Europe when a slice of Africa is the question; but no one dares touch Turkey.

An Honest Man's Story.

Greenvillage, Pa., Jan. 23, '96.

Dear Sir:—Thank God there is a medicine that will cure catarrh. Mr. Pretzinger I used your sample box of catarah which you sent me. The first night I used it it helped me, May God bless you for your kindness. I used the little box you sent me and half of a 50 cent jar. They keep it in Chambersburg. I have told a great many people about your medicine. Hon. 'Squire Britton, brother-in-law to me, is using it; he says it is helping him very much; he has catarrh very bad. Mrs. G. D. Ludwig, daughter of me is using your medicine. I use it in the evening before retiring to bed and am feeling better now than I have for the last five years, My head is clear and I have more energy for work and business. Before I used your medicine I felt many a time that I did not care whether living or dead; I had no energy; I did not care for anything. I had catarrh over sixty-seven years; mother had catarrh and it turned into consumption; she died in her sixty-fourth year. I have a farm up at Strasburg, seven miles from Greenvillage. On nice days I drive up to the farm and work. Mr. Pretzinger I think it would pay you to have it put in all the Franklin County papers as I am a reliable, honest man, so the people say, middling well acquainted over the County.

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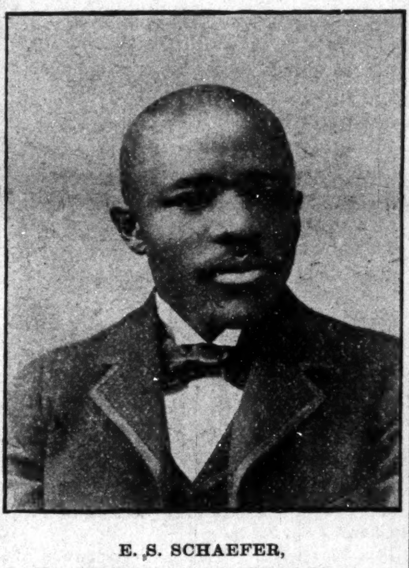
BROTHERHOOD'S SERVICES.

Preparing for the M. E. Conference—Not Confirmed—Weddings.

Louisville, Ky., Special.

W. E. Mitchum, who has been teaching in Henderson, Ky., is at home very ill The Brotherhoods of "Our Merciful Savior" church will hold special services Sunday evening at the church. The boys of the high school have organized their base ball team, and are making preparations for a series of games with the State University team. Our people should demand a "say" about their being compelled to go to the city hospital and not to their own. The case which has caused some suspicion is that of Mrs. Wickliffe, who fell on the street from epilepsy, and before her husband could get to the hospital to see her, she had died of course from the effects of the disease (?) and was undergoing an operation. It is best that our own hospital should be recognized. The Senate has refused to confirm the appointment of Dr. B. F. Porter as third assistant physician for the Eastern asylum. The marriage of J. J. Pollard to Miss Charlotte Young, an estimable young bell of the West End, last Thursday evening, was quite a surprise. The receptions will be tendered Mr. and Mrs. Pollard at an early date by the Pink Rose club and the East Lynn socials. They will for a few weeks reside at the home of the bride's parents, 931 W. Chestnut street. Wm. Pollard has returned after a short, but pleasant visit to Indianapolis. C. B. Preston, a prominent resident of our city, attended the meeting of the Congressional committee in the parlors of the Galt House, Thursday evening. Mr. Preston is chairman of the City and County Executive committee from the 10th ward, and by virtue of his office he is a member of the Congressional committee of the Fifth District. Many were expecting him to be ejected, but "nit." Up to this writing many preachers and delegates have arrived, and everything is in readiness for the big M. E. conference at Jackson Street church. A literary and debating society has been organized in our high school. They will hold exercises at the school every other Friday evening. The revival services at the Fifth Street Baptist church, closed Sunday evening. The Race Protective Association is creating quite a flurry among the old politicians. The operations of the R. P. A.'s are noticed with much interest. They held an exthusiastic meeting Monday evening and changed their name to the "Young Men's Republican Club." One vice-president was elected from each ward, and quite a number of young men had their names enrolled. A scheme is on foot to secure permanent quarters for the club's meetings, and is to be handsomely equipped. Wm. Fuller, the carpenter, is preparing to go to Abyssinia in the spring. Miss Minnie V. Simmons is ill. J. H. Hunt has filed suit in the Chancery court against Alex. Lillie, his father-in-law for astranging his marriage relations.



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Chattanooga, Tenn., Special.

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WHAT THEY WILL DO EASTER.

Drowned in the Mississippi—Man Brutally Murdered—Personals.

Memphis, Tenn., Special.

Hilliard Stewart has bought two additional lots on Arcadian Hill. Allen Gray and Miss Mary Johnson, and Charley Walker and Miss Mary Hill were united in marriage last week by Rev. T. S. Johnson. Mrs. Sarah J. Early of Nashville lectured to an appreciative audience last Friday night at Avery Cosmopolitan church. Rev. Dr. J. N. Abby, Rev. D. E. Asbury, B. D., and Rev. T. S. Johnson were called to Humboldt on church business last Wednesday. Miss Mattie J Trigg read an excellent paper at St. Andrew A. M. E. church Sunday school last Sunday morning, subject, "Christian Children." Miss Lula Reynolds and Miss Mattie Patton are making extensive preparations for the celebration of Easter at St. Andrew's church. Rev. and Mrs. F. L. Ellison of Lucy are the guests of Mrs. Mattie S. E. Johnson, 334 South street. J. S. Dilliard and George Grayton are among the many readers of The Freeman.

Bishop M. B. Salter will visit Memphis on his last episcopal duties before the General Conference on Easter Sunday. He will dedicate the Benyestown A. M. E. church in the afternoon on Easter Sunday. Miss Massie Jones and Miss Mamie Frye have recovered. Collins Chapel C. M. E. church is making rapid progress under the administration of W. F. Simmons. "Old Father" Trigg of Latham avenue is blind. He is 103 years old and worth $10,000. The Central Baptist church leap year party last Monday night was a success. Miss Mamie Key, the accomplished organist of Centenary M. E. church and teacher in Kortretht grammar school, did much in making the "Old Folk's" concert a success. It was a grand entertainment; $75 were realized. Rev. T. S. Johnson is advocating the establishment of a new general department for the worn out preachers of the A. M. E. church. Dr. J. N. Abby's horse ran away last week and broke his buggy. Revival meetings are still in progress at St. Andrew church. We have many anxious readers of The Freeman. Call at Avery street and get it. Rev. F. L. Ellison has subscribed and promises to work up a club of subscribers at Woodstock. John Hart has returned from Union City. Rev. S. L Jones passed through the city en route to Arlington last Tuesday, The Memphis A. M. E. clergy will attend the general conference delegates convention in Nashville on the 24th for the purpose of consolidating the Tennessee delegation in favor of Dr. J. N. Abby for the editor of the Southern Christian Recorder. Rev. J. J. Morant left for Wilberforce to take a course in theology. J. D Littlejohn, an expressman, was brutally murdered last Saturday afternoon by a policeman at the I. C. depot for disputing his word. He was shot four times and died instantly. There is much indignation among both colored and white. The policeman is under arrest.

Personal Mention.

Marion, Ind., Special.

Matthew Beck's little son of Weaver died Tuesday. The funeral was held at Hill's Chapel, Weaver. Miss Effie Burdan, 2036 Meridian street, is very sick and not expected to live. Rev. F. C. Wilson of the A. M. E. church is still holding meetings. M. E. Becks of Wabash was over to attend his nephew's funeral. J. J. Johnson is running a shop at the Soldier's Home. He is now suffering with inflamation of the eyes. J. N. Nichols attended the Congressional Convention held at Kokomo last Tuesday. Rev. J. J. Hill was in the city March 13th. There is to be a cake walk in the near future.

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Muncie, Ind., Special.

The lecture at the A. M. E. church by B. V. Wilson of Liberia, Africa, who is attending school at Taylor University at Upland, was largely attended. His words were full of pathos and great interest was manifested toward him. The many friends of Mrs. Charley Timbus will regret to hear of her being ill. Miss Leota Woods is on the sick list. Charles Conway is convalescent. Mrs. Wm. Brown has returned from Sugar Falls, O., after three week's visit with relatives. Bartley Roberts, who filled such a prominent position on the Daily Herald as sketch artist and woodcut engraver, has accepted a position with Parrish and Hickson's Art Emporium. Mr. Roberts stands second to none on free-hand painting portraying and sketching art. His work is phenomenal and will stand the test of critics. Bartley Roberts and Wm Bradford of Middletown were shaking hands with friends last week.

John H. Nichols was in Indianapolis last week, entertained by members of the Herculean club. He was the guest of Archie Greathouse. Sherman Lampkins and Omer Knox attended Lackey's combination horse sale at Cambridge City. Chas. Jackson of Michigan, who has been been filling engagements with Denver Ed Smith's Theatrical Troupe, is in our city, the guest of Robert Nathan. Ad Bolden is on the sick list. Thos. B. Harris of Cleveland has become a member of the Eagle Brass Band. He is a cornet player of six year's experience. The band will make their debut the first of April. Warren Richardson was called to Rushville on account of the serious illness of his mother. Mrs. Bennie Jefferson of South Beacon street is confined to her bed with pneumonia. Mrs. Link Bell, Mrs. Lora Johnson and Mrs. Charles Lamb are on the sick list. Jerry Bush has returned from Toledo, O., where he was called on account of the death of his father. Herman Frazier has accepted a position at Link Bell's barber shop. Harry Adams, janitor at the Union National Bank, is taking orders for white washing and calsomining. Give him a call. There is a rumor afloat that Robert Riff and a West Adam street young lady are to be married soon. John Davis says marriage is a failure. The gambling fraternity was surprised Saturday night on South Beacon street when the police swooped down upon them. Ten of them paid their respects to Mayor Croner Monday morning. Lee Fletcher, the mail carrier is insured in the Globe Accident of Indianapolis. He was laid up ten days with a sprained ankle. The company paid him $21.43. Robert Nathan has opened an equal rights tonsorial parlor in the Exchange Block, which will be known as the Oak Barber shop. It is a credit to our city and a modern beauty. The shop is in charge of Ohmer Knox and John H. Nichols. These gentlemen are progressive young men and will be glad to meet their friends and acquaintances. Wm. Barclay met with a very painful accident by having a deep gash cut in his right leg. Chas. Hunt is visiting relatives in the city.

Newsy Notes.

Dyersburg, Tenn., Special.

William Sircer, who was struck on the head last Saturday by a white man is improving. Robert Fuller, Mrs. Harriet Persely, Mrs. Jane Bingman, George Travis, Mat Conel, Miss Effie Ply, Rev. W. F. Baker and Segar Sanford are on the sick list. Will Medlen and Connie Dodd have retured from the Band Mill. Miss Emma Blakemore is the guest of Mrs. Tyree. The A. M. E. church is carrying on a revival.

Capital City Notes.

Annapolis, Md., Special.

The rally at Mt. Moriah A. M. E. church, of which Rev. S. Timothy Tice, B. D., is pastor, was a grand success; $455.83 was collected. The Tamawa Literary Society held a very interesting meeting Thursday night. The subject, "Resolved, That Condition and not Color, Militates against the Negro," was discussed by Messrs. Thompson, Howard and Valentine in the affirmative, and Bates, Chase and Williams, negative. The ladies rendered excellent solos and recitations. The Mt. Moriah A. M. E, church holds her second rally Sunday, March 29th. Rev. B. G. Perkins of the Asbury M. E. church has been returned to the city for another year. The city school is doing good work under Profs. T. A. Thompson, W. H. Butler, Misses Anna R. Calhoun, M. E. Watkins, Cully, Carroll and Rigsley. The churches are making extensive preparations for Easter. The choir and congregation of Mt. Moriah have been treated with a set of books. The Mandolin Club, composed of talented musicians under the leadership of Harry Spiggs, will give a grand musicale at the opera house April 6th. The good Samaritans will hold their anniversary at Mt. Moriah Sunday evening.

A noted marriage will take place soon. The oyster men, Naval Academy Cadets, Maryland hotel waiters, and other domestics are arranging for a grand anniversary celebration the 27th. The Lady Washington tea party at Asbury was a brilliant affair. Miss Laura Scott is doing excellent work in her school. Our city can boast of several successful merchants among whom are W. H. Bates, the leading dry goods and groceryman, Messrs. Allen, Smothers, Carr, Taylor, Hawkins, Chase and Wm. Stepney, the oyster and milk dealer. The Y. P. C. S. E. grows in interest and enthusiasm. Dr. William Bishop keeps business and is very successful. Lawyer King is still getting pensions for his clients. Rev. Tice is pushing his conference claims The ladies' Easter Japanese entertainment at Mt. Moriah promises to eclipse all former entertainments of the season, April 6th. Everybody speaks highly of The Freeman and welcomes its arrival

Church News and Personals.

Fayettville, Tenn., Special.

The infant son of Cal Fowler died on the 8th. The pastor of the A. M. E. church officiated at the burial. "Blind Porter" was in the city recently, and preached at the C. P. church. A great revival is in progress at the A. M. E. church. A large number have been converted. Rev. R. J. Hogg of Lynville is assisting the pastor. Quarterly meeting will be held on the 22nd at the A. M. E. church. Rev. Townsend of Winchester preached at the Baptist church last Sunday night. Rev. J. A. Jones preached at Merry's Chapel last Sunday for Rev. D. W. Binford the pastor. It was a gala day with the women of that church. They had purchased and presented to the church a handsome pulpit Bible, a new hymn book, three pulpit chairs, and carpeted the pulpit and altar with an elegant new carpet. Rev. Jones was royally entertained at the residence of John Hasting during his visit. S. M. Summerford is the principal of the school at Molina, and is considered one of the best teachers in the county. The Teacher's Institute held their last session on the second Saturday. Prof. Jas. Green taught "fractions" to the satisfaction of all. Miss Mamie Hoffman taught grammar. Mrs. H. B. McChristian took a flying trip down east recently. Miss Cora Lee Williams has been ill for three weeks. The trustees of the A. M. E. church have removed their pastor into a neat cottage on College street, containing five rooms. Miss Lavinia Commons is getting up again. Her presence in the A. M. E. church is inspiring. Miss Joyce Washington says the rumor is false. But what else could one expect her to say. Rev. J. W. Pickett, M. D., passed through and stopped over twice within the last two weeks. The doctor has some good friends here. Miss Mary McDonald, formerly of Roger Williams, entered Lincoln last week. Leave news notes at Willie Common's, also orders for copies of The Freeman. Willie Jones will furnish you with the paper.

A Surprise Party.

Clarendon, Ark., Special.

Presiding Elder Low was here this week for the first time. The elder is a very able man and his people are much pleased with him. Thursday the 12th a crowd of young people with a surprise party entertained their visitor, Miss Jones at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Smith. They were entertained with games and refreshments were served. Those present were Miss Ida Herron, James Moore, Miss Woodruff, H. C. Ellison, Miss H. C. Roberts, Jas. S. Davis, A. Bussel, James Camp, Miss Georgia Wright, Misses Teana L. Brown Emma McGohee, Rev. A. C. Johnson, P. M. McAmoore, Miss Sarah Smith, Miss Maggie Sanders, James H. Davis, Plaxico and W. H. Vanburn. Miss Davis passed through the city Monday from Marvello enroute to Fordyce her home; she was nicely entertained by the young people while waiting for the train. W. A. Austin took his run on the Arkansas Maidland after a thirty days lay off on accout of illness. Mitch McCray of Searcy, was in the city last week visiting friends and relatives. Mr. Martin who was on the sick list for several days is up. Hattie Milam is still improving. Mrs. Sanders is getting along nicely at this writing. E. D. Baldwin who has been ill is much better. Born to Mr. and Mrs. York Washington twins, a girl and boy. Mother and children are getting along nicely.

Colored Enterprise Needed.

Mineola, Tex., Special.

Mineola has four colored churches—the A. M. E., C. M. E., M. E. and the St. Paul Baptist, and one U. B. F. Hall close to St. Paul Baptist church. Our town has three white churches—the M. E., Baptist and Christian. There is not a colored groceryman, doctor or lawyer in this place. We have one lunch stand and a barber shop. There are a great many things our people don't have here. Don't forget The Freeman—always remember what you read in it is true.

Poplar Bluff News.

Poplar Bluff, Mo., Special.

The funeral services of Elder J. Mansker's wife, which was conducted by Elder J. H. Randall at Pleasant Hill Baptist church on the 8th was largely attended. The house occupied by Robert Anderson, who has been ill for six weeks, and also the one occupied by Elder Jericho Mansker, pastor of Pleasant Hill Baptist church was burned Sunday night, March the 8th. Dr. B. E. Henderson and wife left this city on the 9th. The S. C. cornet band received an invitation to a grand supper at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. Taylor on South Vine street on the 11th. The Freeman will be represented hereafter in this city and you can send in your subscriptions at any time by leaving your orders at Mrs. L. Houston's residence.

LOST RELATIVES.

I will be very thankful if anyone can give me some information of my mother whose name was Lucy Barns, and lived in Haywood county, Tenn. The last time I saw her was in 1861. I was the only child at the time I was brought to Texas. My name is John Dennis, and has never been changed. Adderss J. S. Dennis or W. L. Dennis, Rice, Tex. Box 13.

MISTAKEN NOTIONS.

An Important Correction Made by a Medical Authority.

Dr. Hartman in a recent lecture, stated: "It is thought that when one person has bronchitis, and another Bright's disease, and another dyspepsia, that each one has a disease entirely different and unlike the others. It is a revelation to most people to learn that all these diseases are precisely the same; that is to say, chronic catarrh of the lining mucous membranes. These facts have long been known to the advanced physicians, but the masses of the people, as well as many members of the medical profession, do not seem to understand this very important fact. If consumption was universally regarded as catarrh of the lungs and treated as catarrh would be treated, located anywhere else, it would not only lead to a greater number of cures, but remove a great deal of confusion from the minds of the majority of people."

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A Washington Concert.

Paducah, Ky., Special.

The Washington Concert company, from Metropolis, Ill., gave an exhibition at the Washington Street Baptist church on the 13th inst., to a good audience, It was a creditable entertainment. John Kimball, in his comic sayings, seemed to catch the crowd. Miss Ednorah Nahar, Boston's noted elocutionist and dramatic reader, will be here on April 14th. The concert at Burk's A. M. E. church on the 12th, drew very well. Some parts of the performance was fair. Pleas Jennings is sick again. Jerry Lee continues ill. John O'Neal, the teamster, well known here, died in Mayfield last week. He left a young widow and baby. W. E. Gaines, of Covington, through a circular, announces his candidacy for delegate-at-large from this state to the St. Louis convention in June. Rev. Wm. Morton and family, of Henderson, have returned here to locate. Gov. Bradley has named Dr. Porter, of Louisville, as assistant physician at the Eastern asylum, he to have charge of the colored patients, notwithstanding the Democratic Senate will refuse to confirm the nomination. Millie Mansfield, aged 67 years, died on the 15th of paralysis; a noticeable fact is that Alex. Mansfield, her husband, died only a few weeks ago. Prof. Benton, of the public schools, made a flying trip to Hopkinsville last week on business. It is reported that C. H. Brooks, formerly of this city, but now of Philadelphia, will be a delegate to the St. Louis convention. Get The Freeman every Saturday at 419 Jackson street. Luke Merriwether is going to run on the Star Polar Wave from St. Louis to St. Paul.

News and Notes.

Lansing, Mich., Special.

Mrs. Moore and daughter, Mrs. Bass, have moved to Grand Rapids. John Allen, Sr., was called to Constantine, Mich., last week by the serious illness of his sister, Mrs. Mary Archer. Frank Fowler has taken a position at the Buckeye Works. A concert was given at the Zion Baptist church Wednesday evening. Leason Grady has the contract for the interior work of the Flannegan houses on Madison street. Wm. Miller has gone to Chicago to accept a position in his uncle's restaurant. Company E. A. O. L. A. gave him a farewell entertainment Thursday evening. A house owned by Turner Byrd and occupied by David Dyer was nearly destroyed by fire Friday morning. Damage to the house about $300.00, fully insured. The ministers of the city were entertained at tea Monday evening by Rev. Robert Miller of the A. M. E. church. The new Grande Hotel was badly damaged by fire Saturday night. Mrs. Stevenson, Miss Stevenson and Ross Spier lost their positions thereby. Mrs. Eva Davis of Columbus, O., is in the city.

HOW THE PRESIDENT LOOKED.

Booker T. Washington Made a Fine Impression.

[From the New York Journal]

When the great applause which greeted the appearance of the president had subsided and the organ voluntary had been played, Dr. Hall, in a very brief, but effective address, introduced the president. As Mr. Cleveland arose to assume his duties as chairman, applause broke out afresh, nor were the people satisfied until he had bowed his acknowledgments at least half a dozen times. He looked well; there was a healthy flush upon his cheeks, his step was firm, and his eyes seemed brighter than on the occasion of his last public appearance in New York. He wore the same style of garments to which he has been accustomed for years—a long frock coat of broad cloth, buttoned tight obout his portly form, and a turned-down collar, with a narrow black cravat leaving a generous expanse of white shirt bosom visible. He was the personfication of official neatness, all save the shoes. They were of leather and unquestionably had been highly polished when he left his apartments, to start for Carnegie hall, but somewhere enroute he must have waded in the snow, for the shoes were bright and dull in spots, like a picture from the brush of an impressionist. But if his shoes were marred, not so his good humor, for he laughed sometimes almost boisterously at the sallies of Dr. Talmage, and smiled pleasantly at the witty references or nodded approvingly at the undoubted oratory of Prof. Washington. And, by the way, it was this same modest, unassuming, Negro educator from the South who was the lion of the evening, next to the president. He was a revelation to the people of the cold North.

THANKSGIVING SERVICES

Of the U. B. F's—Church News—Walnut Hill News.

Cincinnati, O., Special.

A committee has been appointed to arrange for the Thanksgiving services of the U. B. F. to be held in May. The Blind Boone Concert company met with grand success here. Miss Anna Hart of West Court street, entertained Miss Anna Price of Covington, Ky., and Miss Sussie Dunlap of Walnut Hill Sunday. Miss Florence Wheeler of Mound street is out again. Rev. Smothers of Kentucky, has been preaching in the revival meetings for the past two weeks at the Antioch Baptist church. Rev. Wyatt pastor. John S. Fielding, Grand Worthy Counsellor, attended the extra session of the Grand Court of the Independent Order of Calanthe, held at Springfield, O., March 10th. The books of the Endowment Board was audited and shows a balance in the treasury of $344.95, and a membership of 275 and ten courts. Tom Johnson buried his baby Sunday March 15th. The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Safford will be pained to learn of the death of their ten year old daughter. Revs. J. H. Payne, Tate, and Scott Ward left last Tuesday for conference which is in session at Louisville, Ky. The members of the Phyllis Wheatley Literary Society tendered their president, G. L. Coleman, with a surprise party last Friday night. Mr. Coleman was the recipient of many useful and valuable gifts, and an enjoyable evening was spent.

WALNUT HILL NOTES.

Miss Josie Beane who was struck in the face at Mt. Zion M. E. church Friday evening, March 13th by J. Thompson has recovered. Little Walker, the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs George Jackson, is setter. Nearly fifteen volumes of the best literature was added to the new library of the "Crescer" club this week. During the last week Miss Louisa Simpson, a teacher in the Yorkville public school and her sister, Miss Hattie Simpson were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Russell, corner Park and Foraker avenues. On Tuesday the young ladies departed for their homes in Vevay, Ind. Rev. Benjamin of Xenia assisted Rev. Eule, pastor of the Christian church on Elmwood avenue in carrying on a revival last week, and so far has met with great success. Rev. Jas. A. Payne, pastor of Mt. Zion M. E. church, left for conference last Tuesday. Collections for the terminating year amounted to $2,694.44. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Embry's youngest son James is better. Frank Hall's restaurant, the only station for The Freeman, corner Park and West Minister avenues. On last Thursday night the school was closed for the season. Among those who took part in the commencement exercises were Messrs. Ford Stith, Andrew J. DeHart, J. L Jones and Master Robt. Austin who rendered a cornet solo. The "Easy Going Social" club held its last regular semi-monthly meeting at the residence of Wallace Todd on Willow street. After business, the table was spread, and among those who partook of the delicacies were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Valentine, Mrs. Ella Goode, Mrs. Samuel Plenty, Mrs. Henry Branche, Messrs. Chas. Hogan, Howard Simpson, Frank Hall and John Redd. Mrs. Sarah Elbert Taylor is ill, The Republican primary of this city was held March 6th, and as usual the Second Ward carried off the honors, so far as the colored delegates were represented. The colored Republicans of this ward elected one state delegate, seven district delegate to the city convention and two executive committees and had ten vice presidents and one sergeant-at-arms. Miss Jessie Frazier a student at Wilberforce, was visiting her parents. She returned Monday.

Accidentally Drowned.

Galloway, Ark., Special.

George Jones was drowned in Hills Lake Saturday night March 7th, while attempting to cross in a leaky boat. Mr. Ed. Holmes was in company with him. Mr. Holmes saved himself by climbing a tree close by. Miss Florence Carpenter is up again. Miss Callie Hester spent a few days in Little Rock last week. J. A. Carpenter attended the Republican county convention last week in Little Rock. Wm. Holmes and Miss Quinne Stewart were married Feb. 14th. Miss Lula Turner spent a few days in the city last week. Valley Grove school has about 105 pupils enrolled. Prof. Woods has charge of the school.

"And They Were Wed."

Clarksville, Tenn., Special.

Rev. Porter and Mr. Light, two enterprising gentlemen, have started a newspaper, namely The Clarksville Enterprise. A swell wedding occurred Thursday March 13th, between Malk Dunbar, who hails from Bear Springs and Miss Ella Martin of this city. The wedding was a great surprise. Sam Turner was married recently to a well known maiden. Miss Annie Kimbrough is seriously ill at her home, 32 Paradise street. Uncle Tom's Cabin met with great success at 5th Ward church Thursday night, and it will be re-engaged at a specified time. Oda Harris is very sick at his home on Base Ball Hill. G. P. Kellar has accepted a position with Dr. E. J. Ellis. When in the city stop at G. W. Perryman's restaurant. Hon. Geo. Jeans is candidate for constable. Henry Shelly, the well known proprietor of the Palace, is still in the lead of first class shops. J. W. Roberts is here again. The greatest of colored papers is The Freeman.

Social Happenings.

Coldwell, Tenn., Special.

Prof. R. P. Purdy was the guest of H. T. White Thursday the 12th inst. Those on the sick list: Mesdames Sallie Mullins, Etta Hodge, Susana Campbell and Mary J. White. Albert Blackman took a pleasant tour to Bellbuckle Saturday 14th inst. Rev. R. A. Hill held his second quarterly conference at Union Ridge the 14th and 15th inst. Messrs. J. M. Mullins and A. Holbert attended. The I. O. I. Lodge No. 382 and Queen Esther Court No. 212 are preparing for their Easter sermond. Miss Izo Elkins was nicely entertained while at the home of Miss Lettie T. Arnold the 14th inst. Miss Clemmie Stephens visited Mrs. Jack Johns recently. Miss Melissie O'Neal is a dear lover of The Freeman.

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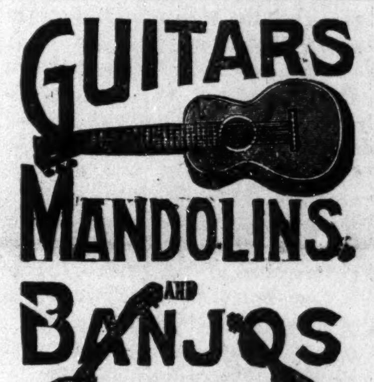

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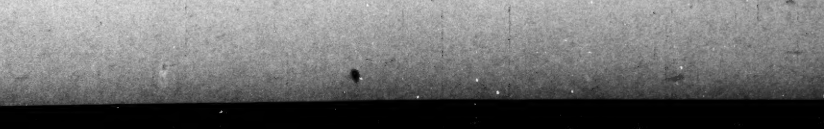

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BISMARK'S "BAD BREAK"

A CRUEL STAB TO THE NEGRO—"REUBEN RAY" COMPARES

The Germans of Old With Tribes of Africa—A Safeguard to Mr. Booker T. Washington—"B Square's" Fears Groundless.

The press dispatches make Prince Bismark say some hard and, I think, some foolish things about the Negro race. This "bad break" will not tend to increase the public faith in the Prince. Indeed, it will postively detract from him in the eyes of fair minded people everywhere, and when he stands before the judgement bar of an enlightened future the verdict of malicious slander will be entered against him. He recently said that he does not believe in the equality of races, that providence had given the Negro a different destiny from the white man. He added: "The Negro has something of the horse or the dog, but even with them the system of blows is antiquated." This last expression he made to express his opposition to ill treatment of the Africans. But, to my mind, the whole thing is a cruel stab of the Negro and is said to defend the white man's butchery of black men. This clearly outlines the German policy of dealing with the Negroes in Africa. Prince Bismark makes a great error when he attempts to measure the future of the Negro by his present environments. Suppose the German people had remained in the condition which they were in the first century? They were among the grossest, most illiterate savage people of that time. They dwelt in the woods; savages by environment, warriors by profession, lived on the spontaneous yield of nature. They were gluttonous, filling their stomachs full of raw or half raw food, and a crude, vile, strong drink and lie for whole days in half stupor in the ashes of their hearth-stones, unkempt and indifferent to all surroundings. They were superistitious—worshipping only objects in nature. They had no imagination, no conception of anything metaphysical. Little care was taken to cenceal the person and no shame was felt. They went naked, except in winter, and then only skins of animals, with horns and all, were used for clothing. Their leaders were simply chiefs of tribes. They held their tribal assemblies in the open air, drank ale from ox horns, until they were beastly drunk, and then made laws which they had to re-consider when they got sober. They fought with clubs, spears etc. Their shields were made of platted twigs. Their huts were made of logs, twigs, straw etc., and a bear skin on the ground was their only bed, while many normadic tribes never had homes.

The women were strong and powerful, tilled the ground and went to battle with the men. The women killed themselves beside their slaughtered husbands in battle, and the priestess cut the throats of war captives. Such were the Germans twenty centuries ago, and they would lose the comparison with the tribes of Central Africa to-day. This was the condition of the ancestry of Prince Bismark, the man who dares sneer at a people struggling through the very same paths in which he trod. They were civilized by touch with superior Rome just as the Negro will be lifted up by touch with the superior civilizations of this age. What the German is to-day, the world knows. What the Negro will be twenty centuries hence Prince Bismark does not know.

He is no more capable of judging the possibilities of the Negro than Juluis Cæsar was able to tell what would be the future of those miserable German savages whom he held under his heel, or from which later Rome replenished her legions.

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The Atlanta Constitution of recent date has a very significent editorial on the three hundred Negroes who left last week for Africa. The able editor says that the Negroes of Africa must melt away before German, Dutch and English civilizing bullets, as the American Indian has been civilized and planted in western graves by the American white man. He then says: "As hewers of wood and drawers of water, they may be permitted to linger for a season, but the exclusion which already shuts them out from Cape Town, Pretoria and Johannesburg, will widen until it covers the once dark continent. He must dwell in the tents of the white man in Africa as in America." But won't this exclusion also widen in America? It makes me shudder when I think of two hundred to four hundred millions of Negroes being wipped from the very face of the earth! It is, indeed a terrible picture to contemplate, and yet there are those who see it just as plainly as they see the sun in the heavens! Well, well!

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Mr. Booker T. Washington, like all other public men, is subject to criticism, and I think that much of that bestowed upon him is not only unfair, but unnecessary. He has a perfect right to use all honorable means in building up his work. However, Mr. Washington would do well to remember that homely phrase of caution. "Think three times and speak once."

While apologies and explanations are admissable on account of the infallibility of our poor, weak human nature, still they are hardly expected from wise and thoughtful leaders. The better plan would be to take the advice of David Crockett: "Be sure you are right and then go ahead." The leader should plant his feet firmly on the rocks of the eternal truth and race pride, and then the very gates of hell shall not prevail against him, to say nothing of us poor envious mortals. We do not like a leader to make a great speech or write a great letter to-day and then make a great effort to-morrow in apology or explanation of that speech or letter. His letters and speeches should explain themselves and be their own defense. In reading Mr. Washington's next to the last explanation, in the World of Feb. 29, 1896, the thought occurred to me that he would next be called upon by the lexicographers to rise and explain, unless the gentleman claims a right, on account of his great popularity, to manufacture words. He uses the word "distortation" without, I think, the best authority. Now if that word was all right, it would not be wise to use it. The additional quantity of breath and vital energy necessary to its pronunciation would prove fatal to our transitory habitations on this mundane sphere. Mr. Washington must rise and explain why he thus dares to do violence to our beloved Noah Webster. Verily!

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"B Square" is afraid that the funny side of the grand old Freeman is about to go down, and calls for volunteers. His fears are groundless, for as long as he continues to illuminate the columns of The Freeman, there may be found in it fun for the millions. He has a corner on everything capable of exciting the risibles of the readers of The Freeman.

REUBEN RAY.

Obituary

THE LATE JESSIE ASBURY.

Members of the Memphis Ministerial Alliance:—We called upon to bow our heads and to take notice of the death of our co-laborer, the Rev. Jessie Asbury of the West Kentucky annual conference of the African Methodist Episcopal church, who departed this life Feb. 17, 1896, at Paducah, Ky. Pleasant reminiscences are recalled when we refer to his labors in this section of the work of the Master, in so much, that we feel that we would be guilty of ingratitude should we fail to pause here and speak a word of praise and adopt suitable resolutions to his memory.

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God in his wise providence to remove from our ranks our friend, brother and co-laborer, the Rev. Jessie Asbury, P. E., and

WHEREAS, The African Methodist Episcopal church has lost one of its strongest and ablest representatives, and the nation a true and patriotic citizen.

Resolved, That it be the sense of this alliance, that we join with the West Kentucky Conference and our great connection in perpetuating his memory.

Resolved, That the sympathy of this brotherhood be tendered to his bereaved widow, brothers and other relatives.

Resolved further, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his bereaved widow, brothers and other relatives.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the members of the family of our late brother, that they be spread upon the face of our journal, and a copy be sent to The Freeman for publication.

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Atoka, I. T., Special.

The petit jury in this, the Central District of the U. S. Court, in the case of Nathan Gary and Cornelious Osborn, charged with larceny; and Jane Ward for selling mortgaged property found the defendants guilty. They have been sentenced. Quite a number of strange faces have been seen on the streets the past week. A lawyer with competency and push would do well here as the profession is not represented by the race. Rev. Chas. R. Tucker, the popular pastor of the A. M. E. church, has returned from his visit to Kansas and Missouri. Mr. H. Colbert and sister, Miss Aribelle, have returned to their home, Oaklodge, I. T. Messrs. Frank McMullen, L. F. Guess, F. Beaty were in town Sunday shaking hands with their friends. The attendance of the Douglass Literary Society is increasing. The Woman's Mite Missionary Society held their usual monthly meeting last Sunday. They were favored with a good attendance. The meeting was a success both intellectually and financially. Do not forget to call at Guess' sanctum and get The Freeman.

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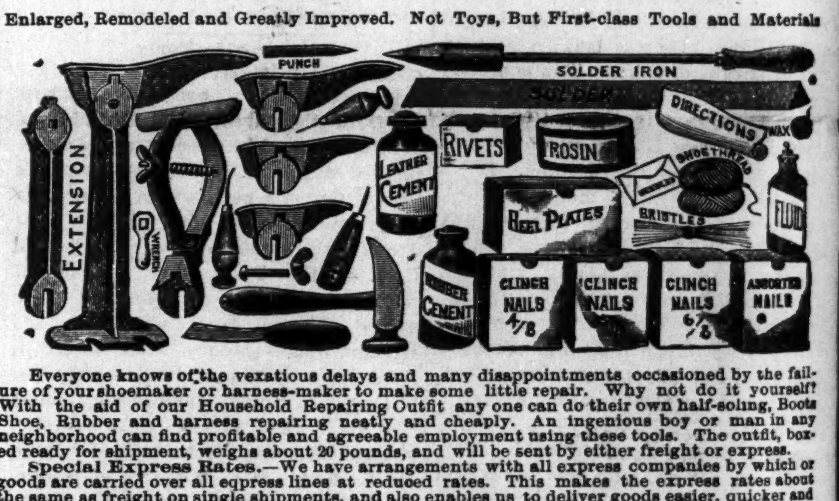

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The Police Commission of Wilmington, N. C., has added several colored men to the list of policemen.

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Gov. Bradley has nominated Dr. B. F. Porter as third assistant physician at the Lakeland Asylum, Kentucky.

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A. H. Anderson has been confirmed by the Kentucky Legislature as steward of the Hopkinsville, Ky., Asylum.

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Leading colored men of New York have organized an association to be known as the Legal Rights' Union.

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W. S. Boards of Wilberforce, O., won the first prize in the state oratorical contest over a large field of contestants, all white.

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Henry Todd, an Afro-American, is said to be the president of a mining company in Seattle, Wash., which has been capitalized at $190,000.

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Madison Jackson has been admitted to practice law before the supreme court of South Dakota. He is the first colored man admitted to the bar in that state.

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Miss Mary H. White is now a teacher in the Central Tennessee College. Miss White resigned the position as matron of the Colored Orphan's Home of Kentucky.

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Mrs. Mary Rochester, colored, died in the New Castle, Delaware county, La., almshouse a few days ago at the reputed age of 104 years. She had lived in that vicinity during most of her life.

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Lewis Sanford, 18 years of age, from the Indiana State Feeble-Minded Institution, is very proficient in music, reading it at sight. He has mastered every instrument.

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Miss Edna Williams, a young colored lady, a graduate of the High as well as the Normal School of Patterson, N. J., is a teacher in a public school of that city. All of her pupils are white children.

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William Hunter of Indianapolis, Ind., an old slave of Gen. Shelby, now of Kansas City, was sent for by his old master, and after thirty years will be reunited to his family.

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C. M. Faunches a former student at Claflin University, Orangeburg, S. C., is at present a student at the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, and a drug clerk employed by Druggist Hillan in Philadelphia, Pa.

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One of the Original Fisk Jubilee Singers in the person of Mrs. Ella Sheperd-Moore, is president of the Colored Woman's executive committee of the Negro department of the Tennessee Centennial.

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Miss Annie La Force won a prize of $50 offered by the Chicago Inter-Ocean for the best story. The subject of the story was "Before They were Married." Miss La Force lives in Pullman, Ill., but was a native of New Albany, Ind.

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George D. Stinson of Pittsburg, and W. H. Grimshaw of New York, have been appointed assistant doorkeepers, and are stationed at the entrance of the men's gallery of the House of Representative. They are the first colored men ever appointed to a like position.

Society Galore.

Evanston, Ill., Special.

A great number of entertainments are being given by the different church societies. The banquet of Mt. Moriah Lodge A. F. & A. M. on Feb. 14th was the grandest affair of the kind ever given by colored people here. About 200 attended. Dancing was enjoyed by the young people. An entertaining affair was given by class No. 3 of the A. M. E. church—"A Leap Year Egg Festival." Each lady took a gentleman and a hard-boiled egg. On the 10th at the Second Baptist church there was "An Old Maid's Social," where old maids were sold at auction to the highest bidder. Miss F. Moore as "Mother Goose," sold for 60c, and Miss Louana Minor as "Trilby," sold for 10c; others were sold at prices between these given. It was a success. On the 11th and 12th a very successful concert was given at the A. M. E. church by the Church Choir Musical Club. They were assisted by the choir of Hemmenway M. E. church, white. It was a great success. On the 19th, the Juvenile Drum Corps, under the management of W.H. Twiggs, gave a leap year entertainment. From the number of leap year affairs past and in prospective the girls seem determined not to let the boys escape them this year. Interest is awakening in The Freeman. It is the most sterling paper of the race. Persons desiring to subscribe or purchase a copy or having news items of interest will find the agent at 807 Greenwood boulevard.

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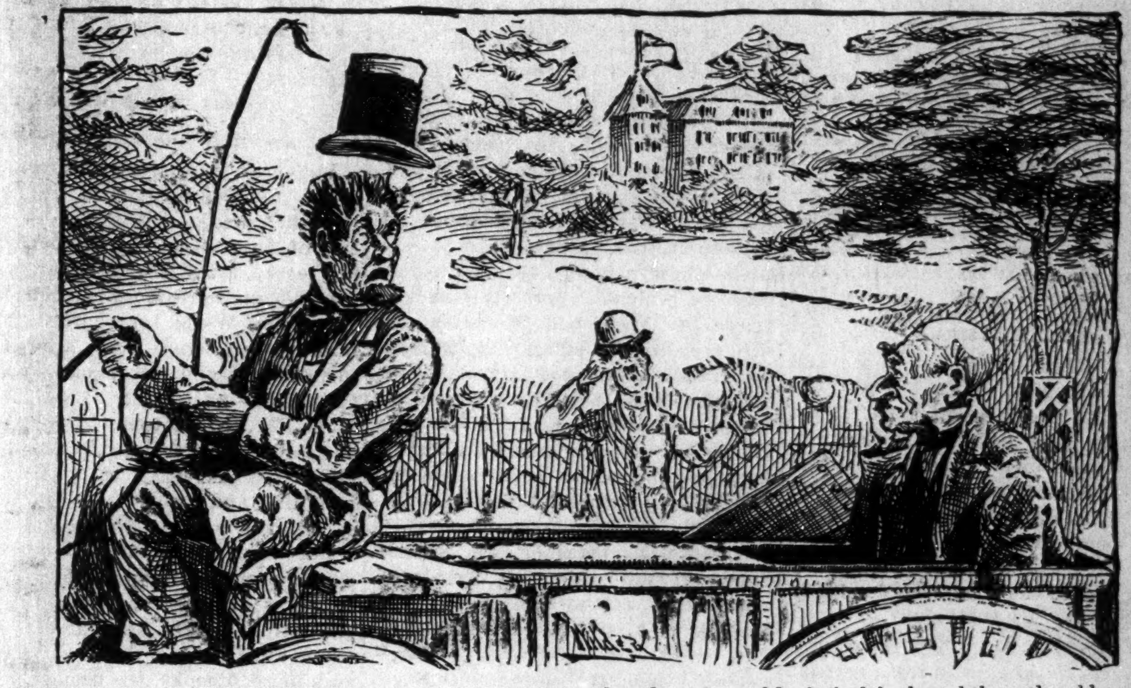
A few days after this, Josiah Allen came in, and sez he, "The everlastin' spring is the one for me, Samantha! I believe it will keep me alive for hundreds and hundreds of years." Sez I, "I don't believe that, Josiah Allen."

"Wall, it is so, whether you believe it or not. Why, I see a feller jest now who sez he don't believe anybody would ever die at all, if they kep' themselves kinder wet through all the time with this water."

"Oh, shaw!" sez I. (I seldom say shaw, but this seemed to me a time for shawin'.)

But Josiah kep' on, for he wus fearfully excited. Sez he, "Why, the fellow said, there wuz a old man who lived right by the side of this spring, and felt the effects of it inside and out all the time, it wuz so healthy there. Why the old man kep' on a livin', and a livin', till he got to be a hundred. And he wuz kinder lazy naturally and he got tired of livin'. He said he wuz tired of gettin' up mornin's and dressin' of him, tired of pullin' on his boots and drawin' on his trowses, and he told his grandson Sam to take him up to Troy and let him die.



"Wall, Sam took him up to Troy, and he died right away, almost. And Sam bein' a good hearted chap, thought it would please the old man to be buried down by the spring, that healthy spot. So he took him back there in a wagon he borrowed. And when he got clost to the spring, Sam heard a sithe, and he looked back, and there the old gentleman wuz a settin' up a leanin' his head on his elbo, and he sez, in a sort of a sad way, not mad, but melancholly, '**You hadn't ort to done it, Sam. You hadn't ort to. I'm in now for another hundred years.**'"

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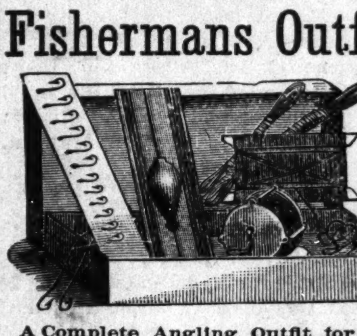

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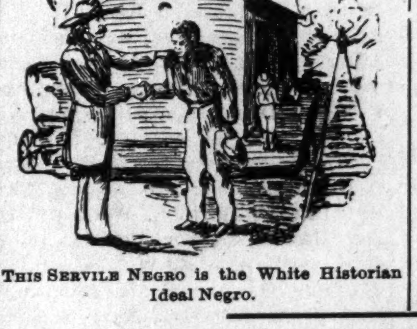

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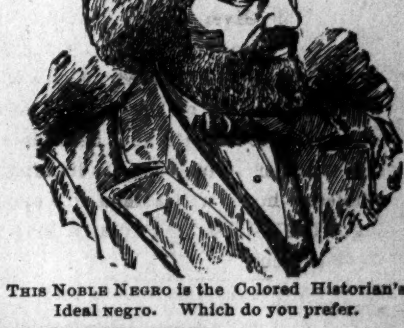

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CITY HAPPENINGS—PERSONAL.

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Mrs. Emily Mallory is attending the Lexington Conference at Louisville this week.

Rev. Toliver and Wm. Roseborough of Waco, Tex., are assisting in several meetings this week.

Geo. L. Knox of The Freeman, is attending the Lexington Conference at Louisville this week.

Miss Mattie Temple was in Louisville last Sunday the guest of Miss Lillian Crutchfield.

The grand opening entertainment of the Olivet Union literary society at Coburn st. Baptist church Tuesday eve., Mar. 24th, promises to be one of the grandest events of the season.

For a quick seller and money-maker no lady or gentleman can do better than take an agency with The Freeman for selling the Lincoln Emancipation Proclamation illustrated. Write for terms before the territory is all taken.

Have you met her, Henrietta, she's a corker from New York. If not you have not missed much, but you will miss it if you fail to see our offer to subscribers, also our liberal terms to agents wishing to sell the Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation illustrated. Write to The Freeman for terms.

A. A. Hunter announces a grand opening of a New Japan Tea Store at 240 West Washington street. This, the same good natured Hunter, who has run the Down Weight Tea Store so very successfully in times past and now, with a new fresh stock in a nice, clean room, surrounded by the pick of the nicest lot of assistants, he will try to improve in the good record made in the business. He is all right.

The Down Weight Tea Store, No. 182 West Washington street, remains unchanged, except that a large addition has been made to its splendid stock of fancy groceries and delicacies for the table. No effort has been spared to make the establishments equal to the best in the city. The reputation of the house for courteous treatment is maintained and every one will be made to feel the appreciation due for patronage. When you compare the prices charged for staple articles, as well as for nicknacks, you will find that they rate a per cent lower than elsewhere. It is a good rule to let well enough alone, to be sure, and if you are satisfied that you have always received your money's worth, go back and see them again. We have found in our patronage of the house that there is no need to work the city over to ascertain if the lowest market price has been charged, for in many cases we have learned without making this effort, that a "shade lower" has been the rule. Call on the down rate Tea Store and get acquainted if you are not a regular customer. It will pay you.

The Octoroon.

Ishman's Octoroons are pleasing large crowds at the Park Theatre this week. The old favorites, Tom McIntosh and wife and the Mallory Brothers are making a great hit in their speciality. The company is the "hottest" on the road, and is creating a big sensation with the young and old "bloods."

Grand Easter Opening.

Mrs. Effie Givens, of 64 Indiana avenue, will have her Easter Opening next Thursday, March, 26. There will Be on display all of the latest "fads" and novelties in hats and head dress. A trimmer from an Indianapolis wholesale house will attend this opening. The public is cordially invited to be present.

New Advertisement Firm.

The well known advertising agency of Alden & Faxon, Cincinnati, Ohio, has changed the style of the business firm and will hereafter be known as the Frank H. Alden & Sons company. Frank H. Alden, the president of the newly formed company, is widely known among the newspapers and advertisers of the country. Among the advertising agents of the United States, this gentleman stands as a peer among his fellows. He is recognized as a shrewed business man and has the faculty of pleasing both the advertiser and the newspaper to a peculiarly happy degree. In the relations which this paper has had with Mr. Alden, he has always been found honorable and trustworthy. If Mr. Alden's sons, Frank W. and Clarence H., possess the same indefatigable pluck and energy that has characterized their father, the new firm of F. H. Alden and Sons Co., will certainly lose none of its prestige. We take pleasure in throwing our handful of rice at the trio as they enter upon what we hope shall be a long continued and most successful business career.

"SWAMP ANGEL" ON THE WING.

"In speaking of another's faults,
Pray don't forget your own;
Remember those in houses glass,
Should never throw a stone.
If you have nothing else to do,
But talk of those who sin,
'Tis better we commence at home,
And from that place begin."

Indianapolis, the "City of Concentrics Circles," far-famed for her refinement and culture, is just now laboring with a fearful monster—the scandalmonger. Heedlessly, recklessly, falsely, "It" stalks forth, vilifying and defaming the reputation of virtuous women, and honest men. "It" comes to you in the guise of a friend, ingratiates "Itself" into your favor by relating some ill-conceived news that your heretofore best friend said of you, when the fact of the matter is they themselves had concocted the plan, in order that they might tell you of your faults. Gloating over success, reeking with slime, "It" enters another home and fastens its poisonous fangs on the petted and only daughter, and from thence onward, giving utterance to heinous, flagrant remarks, assailing characters at will with "Its" venomous tongue. Does "It" think of the consequences? We think not. "It" has no conscience, it has been lulled to sleep. We would suggest,

"That let us all, when we commence
To slander friend or foe,
Think of the harm one word may do
To those who little know.
Remember, curses sometimes, like
Our chickens 'roost at home;'
Don't speak of others' faults until
We havn't any of our own."

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"For Rent—House in 'rear' E. Michigan street, suitable for 'colored tenants'," appeared in Saturday's News. And this in the city of Indianapolis! The city from whence missionaries are sent to instruct heathens in foreign lands—the city where the Negro pays taxes on valuable property—the city where the Negro and Caucasian cope with each other in ethics, religion, education and politics—the city with magnificent school buildings, where the Negro and white child are educated side by side—the city where all institutions and places of amusements (by force of law) are open to him—this glorious, beautiful Northern city—where the Caucasian preacher each Sabbath discourses and laments on the sinfulness of man, on the desecration of the Sabbath to a cultured congregation—this, the home of ex-President Harrison—in which the respectable Negro business man and woman are discriminated against. The Negroes should arouse themselves from the lethargic state from which they seem to have fallen, into action. They should resent such insults, and boycott all agents who refuse to rent to the respectable colored man, whenever they have an opportunity.

The Thompson House.

For neat, clean and tidy rooms, you should always register at the Thompson House at 18½ Indiana avenue. It is well known to the traveling public. The famous Ishman's Octoroons and several members of Sam T. Jack's Creole Co., are registered there this week.

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Social Notes and News.

Kalamazoo, Mich., Special

Mrs. Nancy Wilson has been ill for three months is able to be out again. Miss Bertha Brown was called to Constants to the bedside of her sister Rose, who is quite sick. Charles J. Stewart is in Carsopolis. Miss Mary Weaver is the guest of Mrs. Chas. J. Stewart, 121 West Kalamazoo avenue. Mrs. L. H. Perkins of New York, preached at the A. M. E. church Thursday night. The social that was held at the A. M. E. church was a success. Joseph Cross of Allegan is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Albert White. Mrs. James Weaver was called to her home in Constantine. Frederick Douglass meeting was well attended Tuesday evening. The following program was rendered. Chas. O, Bailiff, reading; Miss Savania Lewis, "Life of Jessie L. Woods;" Miss Jane Hamilton, "The Progress of the Negroes;" Art B. Wallace, F. W. Stafford, "Our opportunities and do we improve them;" Mrs. Mary S. Wheatley. Rev. Joseph Cross of Allegan addressed the club; song, Good Night, by Miss Florena Brown. About twenty young people gathered at the home of Sylvester Phillips Thursday evening. Music and dancing was the events of the evening. Mrs Tobitha Weldon is in Constantine taking care of her mother, Mrs. Lemuel Archer.

A Contest Among the Colored Schools.

Lexington, Ky., Special.

The Presiding Elder, Joseph Courtney, D. D., Rev. J. H. Stanly, M. D., and Rev. D. E. Stelton will leave Tuesday morning for Louisville, Ky., to attend the conference. The delegates are as follows: J. H. Louis, B. J. Evens, G. W. Thomas, also J. H. Jackson, of Falmonth; T.R. Fletcher, Cynthiana; George Carr, of Leasburg; W. H. Evans, of Covington; J. K. Ross, of North Middletown; R. L. Dickerson, Maysville; W. S. Bobins, of Winchester; W. W. Lock, of Flemingsburg, D. R. Hickman, of Sharpsburg; will join, Rev. D. E. Skelton at this place for Louisville. Rev. Skelton has made many friends here. H. H. Southgate arrived in our city Tuesday on a visit. Mrs. Charles Allen, after a long illness, is dead. The funeral was preached by Rev. Chambers Tuesday, March 11th at the St. Paul church the attendance was unusually large.

Lexington has quite a number who read The Freeman. Richard Williams, who has been ill, is out again. Jack Jones is spending a few weeks here from Beytiesville. Jockey, H. Porter, who shot the girl Monday, was sent to jail under $1,000 bail. Rev. A. L. Peay, of Yarnelton, Ky., was in the city this week. Alonzo Dunn died at St. Joseph Hospital March 13th. Death caused by an attack of pneumonia. R. H. Smith, head-waiter at the Leland hotel, is out after a serious illness. The Freeman can be had each Saturday at 10 East Vine street. C. H. Buford agent. Elder Turner's daughter is out again from an attack of lagrippe. It was decided at the meeting of the joint jail and work-house committee to adopt a prison garb similar to that worn by penitentiary convicts for persons sent to the workhouse from this city. Smith Gan and Miss Carrie Washington were married March 12th. R. H. Nelson is in the city, the guest of Miss Luetta Martin Dr. Ballard is doing a big business at his drug store. Arrangements are being perfected for a series of contests among the students of the colored city schools of Paris, Winchester, Mt. Sterling and Richmond, to be held in April. Amanday Smith addressed large audiences at the St. Paul A. M. E. church on Holiness during the past week.

Endorses McKinley's Lynching Law.

I am glad to see The Freeman, that grand old educator and leader in thought, make such honorable mention of Major McKinley on his lynching record in the issue of February 29. I wish there were more journals doing the same. While some other governors are indifferent, some are searching Ancient and unforgotten love to formulate anti-lynch laws, Major McKinley, the epitome of our hopes and desires, was acting. He knew that all the law that was necessary to protect life and property was on the statute books and in the constitution.

Our own dear Ida B. Wells, that courageous and irrepressable herione that crossed the briney deep twice that the nations might know and heed our cause, did a noble work on the rostrum and, in good books, has brought to our cause many workers in both continents for equity and justice, and caused the wheel of fortune to materalize in our favor. Tell the searchers of anti-lynch laws to cease; laborers in the sunny South cease thy toil and call the children to thee; preachers, teachers and leaders; tell the story to our children of our many illustrious friends who are battling for us in liberty's cause. Have a picture of the governors of every State and in the center of that great galaxy have Major McKinley. Tell them that is our illustrious hero and a governor that did not have to dig deep down in the musty archives of the past to find a law to protect human life and liberty, and the governors that have been looking for an anti-lynch law can use the McKinley law. That is, to enforce the law they have, that is what McKinley did. Rejoice! Oh, ye Afro-Americans, the standard bearer of anti-lynch law has been found and stands fourth the epitome of our hopes and desires, America's most illustrious son and defender of human rights, Major McKinley.

J. H. HALLER.

Kalispell, Mont.

Lagrange Tidings.

Lagrange, Tex., Special.

Prof. M. M. Rodgers is making a good stride for a delegate to the National Convention. Ebenezer church has succeeded in securing a pastor, in the person of Rev. A. L. Boone, who preached on his reception to the church, one of the ablest sermons of the times, to a densely packed house. We welcome the Elder and his family to our town. Rev. M. L. Pendergrass was at his post at the A. M. E. church Sunday and preached two very able sermons. Rev. Pendergrass is among the coming divines of the time. Remember the old reliable, Rev. Jackson, is always to be found in his place at the M. E. church every Sunday. The Sisters of the Mysterious Ten are making quite a promising push. They are increasing in membership rapidly. On the night of the 7th inst., the took in four sisters, and many applications are being considered. The Odd Fellows are in a flourishing condition. The County Teachers Institute met on the 6th and nothing was done. What is the matter? Our most proficient Dr. O. H. Nicholas has a good practice here. If you want to be treated courteously call on him. James Oakes is mending, after a long and serious illness. Don't you forget that Grant S. Neal is a stirring man. It takes such a man to push a paper. If you want a good paper subscribe for The Freeman through the agent, A. LaGrange.

Death of a Senior Member.

Clarksville, Ark., Special.

Our pastor. Rev. B. J. Finney, was called home to attend the funeral of one of the senior members of our church, father Gossip who died on the 10th inst. Dave Burnard visited here to see his sick father. Little Lee May is on the sick list. We who are taking The Freeman like to read it. Our pastor, Rev. B. J. Finney was on his way to see his children, but stopped in Little Rock until he was called home If you want to help our fellow brethren call and get The Freeman from W. M. Thomas.

Weaver News Notes.

Weaver, Ind., Special.

Rev. Edwards has closed his meeting. Forty-two were converted. April 5th is rally day. Mrs. Nancy Wallace is in Marion visiting her brother. Matthew Becks baby died on the 10th inst and was buried at Marion on the 11th.

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